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SUMMARY.

The absence of wreckage encourages the belief that the Waratah is still afloat.

No official information as to the Defence Conference will be forthcoming until the delegates return to their respective Dominions.

The match between the Australians and Gloucestershire was drawn.

Bardsley denies that he has received an offer to qualify for Northamptonshire.

The Maharajah of Jaipur has warned his subjects to avoid the "mad and wicked movement against English rule."

Sir Joseph Ward received a deputation from a conference of New Zealand meat importers regarding low prices.

He promised to meet shippers in New Zealand with a view to co-operation in regulating shipments.

The Canadian Navy is to be commenced immediately, and dock facilities are to be increased.

An international landing party removed the Greek flag from the fort at Canea, Crete, without incident.

The death is announced of Sir Theodore Martin, aged 92.

Owing to the rapid erosion of earth, the town of Dera Ghazi Khan, in the Punjab, is slipping into the Indus.

A system of wireless telephony, invented by two officers of the French navy, has undergone successful trials.

The Porte is favourable to an American offer to build a railway from Angora, in Asia Minor, to Van, in Armenia.

The scheme involves an outlay of £20,000,000.

The steamer Star of Canada, built at Belfast, has been launched.

The vessel is intended for the conveyance of frozen meat and fruit from Australia and New Zealand to England.

The battleship Agamemnon is aground on Long Sound, off Sheerness. The sea is calm, and no danger is anticipated.

An agreement has been arrived at as to the financial arrangements between the Commonwealth and the States.

The Commonwealth is to refund to the States annually the sum of 25s per capita.

This is to be put in force at once, the expiration of the Braddon section being anticipated by a year.

The proposed amendment of the Constitution is to be submitted to the electors in March next.

Central Illawarra celebrated the jubilee of its municipality yesterday. The proceedings were marked with enthusiasm.

A dinner was held in the municipal chambers in the afternoon, at which the Mayor presided.

In the Melbourne Divorce Court yesterday Lady Clarke petitioned for a dissolution of her marriage with Sir Rupert Clarke.

After evidence had been taken his Honor granted a decree nisi, with costs against the respondent.

Mr. Vernon was further examined before the Public Works Committee upon the remodelling of the Parliamentary buildings.

He stated that a design had been prepared providing for the rebuilding of Parliament House at a cost of £150,000.

If the work were commenced at once, he added, the new buildings would be ready by October next year.

Lady Chelmsford yesterday presided at the annual meeting of the Kindergarten Union.

The Minister for Agriculture left Sydney last night to attend the Conference of Ministers of Agriculture in Melbourne.

Mr. Perry questions whether there is any potato disease in New South Wales.

Declarations were forthcoming yesterday in regard to some of the potatoes from Victoria by the Barwon.

Such potatoes were allowed in, but the others will probably be sent back.

A deputation to the Minister for Works asked that the entrance to Lake Macquarie might be deepened.

It was pointed out that a number of coal mines could be developed if the coal were carried away in vessels.

Mr. Lee said he could not recommend the large expenditure required.

The deputation also asked for a railway or tramway round the lake from Cockle Creek.

The Minister undertook to refer the matter to the Public Works Committee.

The executive of the Employers' Federation yesterday entertained the country storekeepers' delegates at a harbour picnic.

The president of the Country Storekeepers said the association was called into existence in their own defence.

A deputation waited on the Minister for Works to urge that Hurstville be provided with a sewerage system.

The municipality, it was explained, had a population of over 8000, and was rapidly growing.

Mr. Lee suggested a method by which the desires of the deputation might be met for the present.

Mr. C. J. Murphy, the manager of telegraphs, was examined before the Postal Commission yesterday.

He said the effort to do work with inadequate means resulted in a cheap and nasty service.

A slight collision occurred on the harbour during a fog yesterday morning between the ferry steamers Kai Kai and Kulgoa.

Mr. Oakes stated in the Assembly that the Harbour Trust was still considering the congested traffic at Circular Quay.

The Motor Traffic Bill was further considered in the Assembly last night.

An amendment was carried providing that regulations might be made to minimise the issued fumes from motor vehicles.

The City Council has authorised the resumptions for the remodelling of Oxford-street to be carried out in sections.

A very pronounced earth tremor was recorded on the Observatory seismograph on Wednesday morning.

The M'Myler Hoist Commission, which concluded the taking of evidence last month, has prepared its report.

It is stated that the report is likely to be adverse to the use of the hoist as against hydraulic cranes.

Heavy rain has caused floods in the Bendigo, Ballarat, and western districts of Victoria.

Mrs. Ferry, wife of the manager of the Barwon Park Estate, and a girl named Gurrie were drowned in the flood.

Serious delays and breakdowns in the Victorian telegraph service occurred through storms last night.

Washaways have taken place on the railways near Burrumbeet, and between Dimboola and Rainbow.

The council of the Storekeepers' Association opposes the introduction of the union badge as calculated to destroy discipline.

The biennial convention of master builders of Australia is to be held in Sydney during October.

The balance-sheet of the Broken Hill Proprietary Company shows a loss of £59,029 8s 4d for the half year.

The biennial meeting of the board of the Amateur Athletic Union of Australasia was continued in Brisbane yesterday.

A motion was carried that a shield be presented to the State winning the greatest number of championships.

The Australasian Draughts Championship, played at Brisbane, was won by Mr. Boreham, of New Zealand.

It is stated that land suitable for settlement in small areas in New Zealand is rapidly decreasing.

There was brisk competition for sheep at the Homebush sales yesterday, and prices were firm for all descriptions.

The market for cattle showed a hardening tendency, last Monday's closing rates being maintained.

Speculation in the stock and share market yesterday was restricted. In some cases values were easier.

Forecast.—Promise of general rain, with some flood falls within the next day or two. Fresh to strong northerly winds.

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HAM, BEEF, Pastry Shop, 6 r., well-fitted, good, £15.
CONFECTIONERY Shop, 4 r., 18s, profits 70s, £60.

BOARDING-HOUSE, N. Sydney, in own grounds, 14 rms., every conv., 1½ acres, fruit trees and flowers, grand harbour views, well furn., piano, 16 boarders, fr. 21s ea., pr. £200, bargn. Busy B. Ag., 21 Eliz.-st.

CONFECTY., el. city, cr. shop, 5 rms., evy. conv., £2 clear, pr. £35. Busy B., 21 Elizabeth-st.

CONFECTIONERY, etc., AT PENNY SECTION.—Chance lifetime, stock, fittings, position unequalled, clears from £4 week, trial, £95. Apply LAKE and CO., 310 Oxford and Regent streets, Paddington.

PRODUCE STORE, in the best suburb, doing a turnover of £180 monthly, a lifetime in the present hands, valuable plant, stock, etc., £250. GARDINER, P.O.-chambers, 114 Pitt-street. 'Phone, 283 City.

PROVISION STORE and Ham and Beef Business, a cheaply run business in a crowded thoroughfare, cash counter takings £37 weekly, £150. GARDINER, P.O.-Chambers, 114 Pitt-street.

GROCERY, Mixed, central position, rent 30s, tkgs. £17, must sell, £55. Simpson, Cohen, 44 C'reagh-st.

RESIDENTIAL Chrs., D'hurst, best part, full, most exclusive, big returns, £125. Simpson, 44 C'reagh-st.

STATIONERY, Fancy Goods, city, clean stock, dwelling, r. 15s, £50. Simpson, Cohen, 44 Castlereagh-st.

HAM, Beef, best suburb, fully equipped, taking £20, trial given, £80. Simpson, Cohen, 44 C'reagh-st.

FOR SALE, Butter Run, horse, cart, har., shop, smallgoods, conf., lollies, R. M. Kelly, Arncliffe.

NEEDHAM and CO., 31 Elizabeth-st.—Boarding-house, centre city, 14 rooms, well furnished, present hands many years, £200, Half cash.

BOARDING Establishment, Darlinghurst, 30 rooms, elegantly furnished, piano, 20 boarders, £4?? big gain. NEEDHAM and CO., 31 Elizabeth-street.

RESTAURANT and Boarding-house, centre city, trade £45 weekly, £160. Needham and Co.

CONFECT. and light Refreshmts., capital stand, dwg., 5 rooms, good trade, £17 10s. Needham and Co.

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DAIRY, railway sub., fine premises, 90 qts daily, 11 cows, horse, cans, bargain. Needham and Co.

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GENUINE HOTEL BUSINESS,
splendid country town, premier position, easy distance city, comfortable home, averaging £80 weekly, 14 yrs' lease. Rent £14 monthly. Full price, £1600.
Prosperous town, South-west, splendid corner, main business position, average takings £50 weekly. Lease 10 years. Rent £4, £400 cash ingoing, best spot in market.

HAIRDRESSER, TOBACCONIST, and NEWSAGENT, turnover £70 month, 1100 papers weekly, saloon average £3 10s per week, present employer will rent saloon at £2 week to purchaser, sole reason for selling illness, PRICE £150, £50 stock of tobacco, no opposition.
490 Oxford-street.

GROCERY and Mixed, gd. dwell., r. 10s, tr. £8, gd. liv., rare snap, £15. Tweedie, 77 Wm.-st.

GREENGROCERY, Fruit, Conf., main st, gd. dw., tr. £8, low rent, barg., £20. Tweedie, 77 Wm.-st.

LODGING-HOUSE, D'hurst, 7 r., no vac., rent 18s, must sell to-day, £35. Tweedie, 77 Wm.-st.

FISH and CHIPS, Drinks, main st, complete gear, doing ¼ ton weekly, clears £4 week, rent, shop and dwelling, 22s. E. C. HUGHES and CO., 4 Glenmore-road. Tel., 328 Pad.

MIXED and GROCERY, good living, est. 4 yrs, £50. Newsagency, etc., blocked run, 2000 week, £300. Confectionery, Pastry, etc., rare snap, £25. LAKE, 310 Oxford and Regent streets, Paddington.

HAYES, 175 Riley-st, off Oxford-st.—Grocery, Mxd., splendid little stand, rent 9s 6d, cash trade £8 p.w., sacrif., £70; Mxd. Bus., 5 rooms, 14s, trade £8, £40; Confectionery, near schools, trade £10, £35.

MIXED, rent 9s, 4 r., £15; Fruit and Greengrocery, 4 r., stable, £16; Confectionery, £28, school; Grocery, 5 r., trade £16, £55; Ham and Beef, £70; Boarding-house, 9 r., £85. MELROSE, 274 Crown-street.

FOR SALE, Residential Chambers, 2 Houses, returning £20 weekly, sell business, one or both. Easy terms.
82 Hunter-street.

MIXED GROCERY BUSINESS, good stand, low rent, good stock, £25.
175 Elizabeth-street, Redfern.

GROCERY BUSINESS, absolute snap for smart man, value in stock, £85 for quick sale; can recommend; others, £50 and £60.
135 Devonshire-street.

STAR Agency, 59 P.O.-chambers, 114A Pitt-st.—High-class city Cafe, wine license attached, clears £8 weekly, well furnished, owner retiring, ingoing £300; principals only dealt with. (19)

STAR Agency, 114A Pitt-st.—Hairdressing, city, rent 12s, only £25; Sub. Mixed, doing £12, £70.

HOTEL, good corner stand, having monopoly of district, selling on account ill-health, continuous area, nicely furn., good lease, taking £50, increasing daily, rent £4 10s, £850. Phillips, Chal. H., op. G.P.O.

PROVISION, HAM, BEEF, best suburb, nice clean shop and dwelling, everything up to date, profits £5 weekly, week's trial, £150, suit married couple. Principals only. Boaz, Herald.

RES. CHAMBERS, heart city, 8 rooms, handsomely furnished throughout, everything in splendid order, clears £3 week, most up-to-date house, sacrifice for £125, worth double. BRIGNELL, 18 Cast'gh-street.

HAM, BEEF BUSINESS, D.F. shop, 6 rooms, main street, marble fittings, scales, trade £8 weekly, owner taken hotel, must sell, £12 10s, or first offer. RALSTON and CO., 51 Elizabeth-street.

FRUIT, Confec., best city stand, must sell to-day, offer. W. H. Fitzgerald, 64½ Pitt-st.

RESTAURANT, city, fittings, etc, valuation, sacrifice, reasonable offer. W. H. Fitzgerald, 64½ Pitt-st.

CONFECTY., Fruit, and Mixed, £4 week, trial, £25. Lake, Oxford and Regent sts, Paddington.

HAIRDRESSING and Tobac. Business, Oxford-st, Paddington, same hands 7 yrs. H.T., Herald.

SOUND Bus., winter, Fish and Chips, no opp., summer, ice cream, etc., cheap. 153 King-st, Newtown.

FISH SHOP, good living could be made better, £15, bargain. 26 Ross-st, Forest Lodge.

PARTNERSHIP, £300, offered, bear closest investigation, honest, handsome incm. Keystone, Herald.

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MILLINERY.—For Sale, progressive complete Business, £18. Showroom, P.O., William-st.

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LODGING-HOUSE, 5 rooms, kit., nicely furnished. Price £25. 269 Victoria-st, Darlinghurst.

GROCERY, Conf., Sum. Drinks, good living, low rent, sacrifice, £15. Hunt, Co., 82 Oxford-st, Padd.

LODGING-HOUSE, city, nicely furn., £30; Laundry, compl., city, partly furn., £30. 51 William-st.

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BUTTER RUN, doing 7½ to 8 boxes, horse, cart, harness, £65, bargain. 7 National-st, Leichhardt.

GRO. and Mixed Bus., good stand, good living, owner to leave, urgent, reas. offer. T.M., Newtown P.O.

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WANTED, Resid. Chambers, part furn., Darlinghurst pref. Address Euroka, William-st P.O.

AUCTION SALES.

INGLIS'S BAZAAR, THIS DAY.
THIS DAY, AT 10.30 A.M.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 10.30 sharp, Draught Vans, Springcarts, Horses, and Harness; Draught Horses, Tipcarts, Horses, and Harness; and at 11 a.m., Horses and Vehicles of every description, specially advertised. Tel., 1831.

R.T. SPORTING SULKY TURNOUT, S. and H. PONY, AND LORRY LOT.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m., R.T. Sporting Sulky, and Harness, Reliable Pony, Saddle and Harness Pony, also 2 Draught Mares, any trial, Lorry and Harness, making a first-class turnout.

HIGH-CLASS SULKY TURNOUT.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. T. Gilbert to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m., Taffy Bony Mare, 13.2, quiet and reliable in harness, Sulky and Harness, in splendid condition.

NEAT SULKY TURNOUT.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m., Chestnut Pony Gelding, thoroughly broken to saddle and harness, Sulky and Harness, in good repair.

TROTTING STALLION AND PONY.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. S. Broomfield to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock, HAROLD, Chestnut Trotting Stallion, 5 years, by Kintore from Violetta Mitchell; also GIRLIE, Chestnut Pony Mare, by Bonnie Doon from a Messenger mare. Won 14-hand trot last R.A. Show. Both broken to saddle and harness.

S. AND H. MARE, FROM NOWRA.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Rev. Father Hayden, Nowra, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock, Chestnut Mare, 6 years, a first-class hack and good in harness, suit a doctor or private gentleman.

HARNESS MARE.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. E. Mansfield to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock, Grey Mare, any trial, suit a cab or tradesman's cart.

ACTIVE DRAUGHT HORSE.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. P. Gilroy, Turramurra, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock, Active Draught Chestnut Gelding, 4 yrs, good sort, broken to harness.

3 HARNESS HORSES.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock, 3 good useful Harness Horses, trials given, suit cab, grocer's or baker's carts.

SADDLE AND HARNESS HORSE.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. A. Dowse to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock, Chestnut Gelding, 6 yrs, broken to saddle, s. and d. harness, any trial.

MEDIUM DRAUGHT HORSE.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. J. Flannery to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock, Active Draught Bay Gelding, 4 yrs, broken to s. and d. harness, any trial, suit a dray or lorry.

PRIZE PONY FROM FAIRFIELD.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. H. Matthews, Fairfield, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock, Handsome Black Pony Mare, 4 yrs, 12 hands (bred by Mr. Suttor, of Bathurst), very quiet in saddle and harness, prizetaker at Bathurst Show.

TO RACING MEN AND OTHERS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. M. Kavanagh to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock, Chestnut Gelding, 6 yrs (full brother to Rella). Full particulars at sale.

DRAUGHT MARE FROM GORDON.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. A. J. Losberg, Gordon, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock, Brown Draught Mare, 7 yrs., any trial.

ST. MARYS CATTLE SALE.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, AUGUST 20,

AT 1 O'CLOCK.

550 HEAD. 550 HEAD

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, as above. For full particulars see yesterday's issue.

TRAIN LEAVES SYDNEY AT 10.30 A.M., RETURNING AT 3.42 and 6.47 P.M.

COMPETENT DROVERS IN ATTENDANCE.

ABSOLUTE CLEARING SALE OF 30 VEHICLES, INCLUDING TIPDRAYS, TIMBER DRAYS, CARTS, SULKIES, DELIVERY CARTS, HARNESS, AND 30 HORSES, ALL IN HARD FEED CONDITION.

J. R. BEALE will sell by auction as above, on the premises, 86 Buckingham-street, Sydney, on SATURDAY NEXT, AUGUST 21, at 2.15 p.m.

See full particulars yesterday's Herald and Telegraph.

WEEKLY PRODUCE SALES.

MOSMAN and ELLIS will sell by Auction, at their Railway Produce Saleyards, off 827 George-st South, THIS DAY, at 1 p.m. sharp—Suckers, Carcase Pork, and Veal, Bacon, Lard, Eggs, Butter, Honey, Beeswax, Fruit, etc., a large quantity of Poultry of every description, Pigeons, Birds, Game, Rabbits, etc.

Buyers please Note Order of Sale:—
BUTTER and EGGS, at 1 p.m. sharp.
SUCKERS, CARCASE PORK, and VEAL, at 1.30 p.m.
POULTRY, BIRDS, GAME, etc., at 1.45 p.m.
BACON, LARD, HONEY, etc., at 2 p.m.

F. MURPHY AND CO. Will Sell by Auction, at THEIR SALE ROOMS and YARDS, Thomas-street, Haymarket, THIS DAY, Sucking Pigs and Carcase Pork, 1 p.m. sharp. Eggs, Butter, Bacon, etc., 2 p.m. Poultry, etc., 2.30 p.m.

O. J. TURNER sells at his rooms, Valentine-street, Haymarket, THIS DAY, as under:—
1.15, Ducklings, Chicks, Birds, etc.
1.30, Eggs, then Poultry.

GEO. H. MOXHAM and CO. sell by Auc., This Day, at Wool Exch., Sheepskins, 10.30; Hides, 1.30 p.m.

PRODUCE SALES will be held TO-DAY as under:—Sheepskins, at 10.30 a.m.; Hides, at 1.30 p.m.

BUILDING MATERIALS. BUILDING MATERIALS.

TOTALLY UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION, THIS DAY, AT 11 A.M.

DEMOLITION OF 3 MODERN 2-STORY HOUSES,

Nos. 516, 518, and 520 KENT-STREET, CITY, NEAR LIVERPOOL-STREET.

THE FIRST-CLASS MATERIALS COMPRISE—

60,000 FULL-SIZE SPOTTED SANDSTOCK BRICKS, All Lot
800 24 x 12 PURPLE BANGOR SLATES
300 SHEETS GAL. CORR. IRON, 6, 7, 8 feet
5000 6 x 1 T. and G. KAURI FLOORING
500 4 x 2¼ H'WOOD JOISTS, up to 20ft LENGTHS, EQUAL TO NEW
5000 4 x 2¼ HARDWOOD
8 MODERN PANEL DOORS
5000 6 x ½ LINING (PAINTED)
2 CASEMENT DOORS AND FRAMES
6 REGISTER GRATES
10 MODERN BOX FRAMES AND SASHES
BATTENS, MOULDINGS, Etc. Etc.

D. AND W. BAINES, AUCTIONEERS, under instructions from Mr. A. WAINWRIGHT, Demolition Contractor, will conduct the sale of the above First-class Materials.

The AUCTIONEERS would draw the attention of SPECULATIVE BUILDERS and OTHERS to the EXCELLENT CONDITION OF THE VARIOUS LINES TO BE SOLD.

AUCTIONEERS' OFFICE: PETERSHAM. Tel., 99.

IMPORTANT UNRESERVED AUCTION SALE

THIS DAY, FRIDAY,

AUGUST 20,

at 2.30.

THE RESUMED AREA, ATHLONE-PLACE.

JAMES COWAN, acting under instructions from the SYDNEY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, WILL SELL IN LOTS TO SUIT PURCHASERS,

Nos. 163, 165, 167, 169, 171 GEORGE-STREET WEST.

Auctioneer's Office, Builders' Exchange.

TERMS CASH.

TO BICYCLE MANUFACTURERS, MOTOR CAR REPAIRERS, ENGINEERS, PRIVATE BUYERS, DEALERS, AND OTHERS.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, AT 2 P.M. on the Premises,

ROOM 37, ROYAL ARCADE, PITT-STREET, SYDNEY.
MOTOR CYCLES, MOTOR CYCLE ENGINES, and OUTFITS.
CYCLE and MOTOR PARTS and FITTINGS.
MOTOR TRICYCLE, MARINE PROPELLERS, VULCANISER.
5 TYPEWRITERS, TOOLS, GASOLINE LAMPS, Incandescent Mantles, Shop Lamps, and Fittings, Tyres, Treadles, CYCLE and MOTOR SUNDRIES.
Miscellaneous Articles too numerous to particularise.
NO RESERVE. TERMS CASH.

HYAM HAINS will sell by AUCTION, as above, under instructions from the INDENT MERCHANT.
AUCTIONEER'S OFFICES: 242 PITT-STREET. 'PHONE, 2547.

NORTH SYDNEY.

AT THE ROOMS, WALKER AND BLUE STREETS, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock.

UNRESERVED SALE OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND EFFECTS, comprising:—
DRAWING AND DINING ROOM FURNISHINGS.
PIANO, SIDEBOARD.
HALL STAND, OFFICE TABLE.
Washstands and Chests Drawers.
Enclosed Glass Dresser, Chairs, Tables.
MANGLE, GAS STOVE, CARPETS and LINOS.
BEDSTEADS and BEDDING.
Crockery, Glassware, Kitchen and Laundry Utensils, etc.

D. W. SOLOMONS, AUCTIONEER, WALKER AND BLUE STREETS, NORTH SYDNEY.

THIS DAY, AT 2 O'CLOCK.
HENRY LEVY will sell by auction, at 689 George-st, Haymarket, Dresses, Skirts, Underclothing, Boots, Drapery, F. Goods, Crock'y, Watches, Jewellery.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY,
20th AUGUST, AT 11 O'CLOCK.

HIGHLY-IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION,

WITHOUT ANY RESERVE,
AT THE COMMODIOUS SALE ROOMS of

JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE,
128 AND 130 PITT-STREET, NEAR KING-STREET.

VALUABLE FURNITURE
and
GENERAL HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS,

REMOVED FROM SEVERAL LARGE RESIDENCES AT MOSMANS, MANLY, NORTH SYDNEY, AND GLEBE POINT, INCLUDING
SUPERIOR GLASSWARE, CHINA, CUTLERY, AND QUANTITY ELECTRO-PLATE.
AXMINSTER AND BRUSSELS CARPETS.
HANDSOME WALNUT AND OAK OVERMANTELS.

IMPOSING SOLID WALNUT SIDEBOARD, OF NOBLE PROPORTIONS, AND CONSTRUCTED IN THE BEST POSSIBLE MANNER, AND ARRANGED WITH ALL THE MOST MODERN IMPROVEMENTS. SIZE, 7FT.

ARTISTIC SOLID OAK SIDEBOARD.
DINING TABLE, WITH SQUARE LEGS AND PATENT SCREW, AND OAK OVERMANTEL, EN SUITE.
OAK DINING-ROOM SUITES.
OAK HALL STANDS.

HANDSOME INLAID ROSEWOOD DRAWING-ROOM

CHINA CABINET,

Specially arranged for the Exhibition of Rare China and other Specimens.
CHIPPENDALE OCCASIONAL SUITES.
RECEPTION AND OCCASIONAL CHAIRS.
CHOICE COLLECTION OF ART PHOTOGRAVURES.

VALUABLE PIANOFORTES
by
THE WORLD'S LEADING MAKERS,
including
CARL RONISCH, WEIDIG, BECKER, SCHROER, JOHN BROADWOOD and SONS, NO. 2 VICTOR, AND OTHERS.

PIANOLA AND MUSIC.
FINE TONED 'CELLO AND VIOLIN.

SINGER DROP-HEAD SEWING MACHINE, practically new, and in good order.

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(IN AMERICAN WALNUT),
MANUFACTURED SPECIALLY TO ORDER BY MAPLE and CO., OF LONDON, AT A COST OF 130 GUINEAS, COMPRISING
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THE PAIR OF MOST IMPOSING PEDESTAL TOILETS,
PEDESTAL CUPBOARD, TOWEL RAIL,
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Special attention is directed to this magnificent Suite, which is finished in the highest manner of cabinet art, and on up-to-date and modern principles.

Also,
SEVERAL OTHER HANDSOME BEDROOM SUITES,
Suitable for Double or Single Rooms.

MASSIVE DOUBLE AND SINGLE ITALIAN HALF-TESTER BEDSTEADS,
FITTED WITH THE BEST QUALITY OF BEDDING,
and
A LARGE QUANTITY
of
USEFUL FURNITURE AND EFFECTS
TO BE SOLD

ABSOLUTELY WITHOUT RESERVE.

ON VIEW THIS DAY PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF SALE.

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FURNITURE AND GENERAL AUCTIONEERS,
128 AND 130 PITT-STREET, NEAR KING-STREET.

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THIS (FRIDAY) MORNING, AT 11 O'CLOCK.

FURNITURE, PIANOS, ETC.,
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THE HAYMARKET AUCTION ROOMS,
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THE CONTENTS 6 LARGE HOUSES, DISPLAYED IN OUR COMMODIOUS ROOMS FOR BUYERS' CONVENIENCE.

8 Beautiful Drawing and Dining Suites, Sideboards
Hall Stands, Wardrobes, Overmantels, Lace Curtains and Drapes, and Poles, etc.
Brussels Carpet 16 x 22, 8 other Carpets and Linoleums
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Toilet Pairs, 12 Beautiful Toilet Sets, complete
Singer New Home and Hand Sewing Machines, equal new
20 Various Size Brass-mtd. Bedsteads, with best Wires and Bedding, almost brand new
Children's Cots, Bed Chairs, Go-carts, Prams
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THE FURNISHINGS OF 8 ROOMS, IN SPLENDID ORDER.

Details to-morrow morning.

E. HEBDEN BRODRIBB, AUCTIONEER.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, AUGUST 20,
AT 11 O'CLOCK A.M.,
AT STANMORE.
CLARENDON-ROAD, OFF PERCIVAL-ROAD,
Right-hand Side from Station. Last New Cottage.
Under instructions from Mrs. BISSACKER, who is leaving the State, to sell
THE WHOLE OF SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND EFFECTS, including
ROSEWOOD CHIPPENDALE BEDROOM SUITE
SOLID OAK DINING SUITE of 8 pcs., Oak Ext. Table 6 x 3ft 6in.
MAGNIFICENT SIDEBOARD, Oak Overmantel, Clock, 12 x 12 Carpet, Rooms Linoleum, All Brass Double Bedstead, Kapok Bed and Wire Pearl-mounted Bedstead complete
Cedar Chest Drawers, Marble Washstand, T. Glass
BLANKETS, SHEETING, QUILTS (large quantity)
Carpets, Pictures, H. B. Chairs, Curtains, Glassware, Crockery, Occ. Tables, Dinner Set
E. P. Ware, Cutlery, Set Silver-mounted Carvers
Sterling Silver Spoons, Glass, E. Dresser, K. Table, Ice Chest, Kitchen Utensils.
FURNITURE PRACTICALLY NEW. ONLY PURCHASED THREE WEEKS AGO.
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JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction, at his Rooms, 274A PITT-STREET, the Unredeemed Pledges pawned with Mr. MONTAGUE SCHACHTEL, of 92 Liverpool-street, city,
At 11 o'clock: Clothing, Boots, Blankets, etc.
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AUCTION SALE.
TO-MORROW (SATURDAY) AFTERNOON, AT 2.30,
at 114 LEICHHARDT-ST., WAVERLEY.
FURNITURE and HOUSEHOLD APPOINTMENTS, CHINA and GLASS.
CHAIRS and TABLES.
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FIRST-CLASS HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.
UPRIGHT GRAND WALNUT PIANOFORTE,
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THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 2.30, at 72 King-st, Newtown, Double and Single Bedsteads, Leather and Wire Couches, Safes, Counter, Tables, Dinner Set, Crockery, Ornaments, Glassware, 7 Dozen Soda Glasses, Toilet Wares, Pictures, Tinware, 4 Dozen Enamel Saucepans, and Teapots, etc., etc.
Also 2 Singer Sewing Machines (vibrating, oscillating), Bed Linen, 2-roller Mangle, 2 Arc Street Lamps.

FERGUSON and GREVILLE will sell as above.

THIS DAY, AT 2 O'CLOCK.
AT 170 GEORGE-ST. WEST, near Shepherd-street.
MIDDLETON and CO. will sell by Auction, 500 Lots of New and Second-hand Dresses, Blouses, Skirts, Underclothing, Bedlinen, Men's and Children's Clothing, Curtains, Furnishing, Remnants, etc. No Res.

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Gas Stoves, Roll-top Desk,
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Solid Walnut 6ft Solid Oak 5ft Sideboards,
Lovely Cosy Corner and Cushions, Amer. Organ,
All-brass Kerb Gent.'s Bicycle,
Lady's Wheel, and Hosts of things.

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SATURDAY, AUG. 21, AT 2 O'CLOCK,
Demolition Sale,
on the Site, Gross-street, Parramatta.
E. P. PEARCE will sell 200 Sheets Gal. Iron, 20,000 Sand Stock Brick, 5000ft Lining, Flooring, and H.W., all sizes. Every line must be cleared.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY.

ORDER OF SALE.

SUBURBAN PROPERTIES
to be
SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION,
at the Rooms, Pitt-street, at 11.30 a.m.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY.

PADDINGTON.—Shop and Dwelling, No. 365 Oxford-street, between Regent and Newcombe-street. Executors' Sale.
DITTO.—Two Houses, Nos. 12 and 14 Gordon-street, at rear of above. Executors' Sale.
NEWTOWN.—Residence, "Bellebo," No. 5 Brown-street.
NEWTOWN.—House, No. 111 Denison-street. Mortgagees' Sale.
NORTH SYDNEY.—Cottage, No. 56 Holterman-street, near West-street. Land, 20ft x 183ft 9in.
NORTH SYDNEY.—Corner Lot, Willoughby-road and Chandos-street.
MOSMAN.—Allotment, Mandalong-road, Balmoral Beach Estate.
CAMPERDOWN.—Cottage, "Glenayr," Kingston-road. Mortgagees' Sale.
LEICHHARDT.—Cottage, No. 23 Arthur-street, near Town Hall.
ARTARMON.—Allotment, Broughton-road and White-street. Mortgagees' Sale.
BROOKVALE, via Manly.—Block of 3r. 30½p., Lot 137, Redman's Estate.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd.

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales, Sheriff's Office, Sydney, 19th August, 1909.

HUGHES AND ANOTHER v DWYER AND ANOTHER.

ON MONDAY, the 30th day of August, 1909, at noon, unless the Writ of Fieri Facias herein be previously satisfied, the Sheriff will cause to be sold by Public Auction, at the Saleroom, Supreme Court, Sydney,

All the Right, Title, and Interest (if any) of the Defendants, MARY DWYER and STELLA COLGIN, legal or equitable, and whether by assignment or purchase, in certain lands, tenements, and hereditaments, formally under lease to Lily Riley, and now in the occupation of Defendants, being the shop and premises, with the fixtures therein, known as No. 80 Elizabeth-street, Sydney, and comprised in Certificate of Title, Volume 838, Folios 104 and 105.

TERMS CASH.

C. E. B. MAYBURY, Sheriff.
JOHN HUGHES, Plaintiff's Attorney, Sydney.

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CHAPTER XXIII.—Continued.

The business prospered and they made money. Then Hilton died, leaving all that he possessed to his friend George, who, for the sake of the undertaking, which had become recognised under the name of Hilton, himself took over that name, and continued to devote his energies to the welfare of the concern.

It was at this time that George undertook his first expedition into the heart of Africa, the expedition which resulted in the saving of Peggy's father, and the first introduction of the name of Hilton, as that of a prominent man, to the world at large. George returned to England after this expedition to find that his father and mother were both dead. The unhappy Arthur had offended once more, and the inheritance had never been his. The trouble had weighed so heavily upon him that the wretched young man had lost his reason and been shut up in an asylum. But he had never confessed to his parents his former errors, nor made any effort to exonerate George in their eyes.

Of course it was at this period that George had first met with Peggy; at this time, too, that he had fallen under the influence of Lady Sara. The father of the latter had "taken George up," in the parlance of society, and had, indeed, proved himself the kindest of friends.

This was a chapter in George's life upon which Peggy could throw very little light. She knew practically no more than what society knew—that there had been some sort of engagement between Lady Sara and George, that this had been broken, and that George had immediately afterwards returned to Africa. Lady Sara, apparently in a fit of pique, had then married Sir Arthur Gervaise.

George passed his hand over his brow. "I'm sure I can never have loved her, Peggy," he said. "Perhaps it was her father who had desired the match, and who brought the engagement into being. I have a hazy idea of something of the sort. You see, in a curious way, things do come back to me somehow. For instance, although in myself I am not conscious of ever having been in Africa, yet I can describe the places I visited there just as if I had a knowledge of them through some sixth sense. I can give you several other examples of that, Peggy. There's yourself. When I first saw you I felt that I had known you for years; by the lake at Hurlingham it seemed to me as if I really was George Hilton. I had very much the same feeling when I met Lady Sara. I knew before she came into the room what she would be like. It's just the same with my recollections of George Annesley." He contracted his brows a little. He was thinking of how in Morrison's gambling hell, he had been able at once to detect the card-sharping—no doubt Arthur's trouble had been connected with that sort of thing, so he reflected.

"I presume doctors may have some theory to account for the peculiar condition of my mind," he remarked. "If I had not found my father's letter I suppose I should not have connected myself so directly with the name of Annesley. It was all my life as Hilton; the last eight or nine years, that were so completely swept from me. And you see even my handwriting was that of George Annesley, though, certainly, I contrived to acquire the other with a facility which isn't so remarkable now that I understand the reason of it."

"And for the rest," he added, after a pause. "Well, I can reconstruct that in my mind very easily. Lady Sara sent for me immediately upon my return to London. She has told me"—his brows darkened—"what happened at her house. Overwhelmed by the tragedy, or perhaps by the consciousness of the power that Lady Sara held over me, I rushed out of the house, made my way back to my chambers, and wrote that letter announcing my intention to take my life. Then I wandered out, dazed no doubt, and practically not in possession of full consciousness of my surroundings, and so it came about that I was knocked down by the taxi-cab close to the gates of the park."

Thus the whole series of events were refashioned, and then, for a little while, George and Peggy discussed their prospects for the future. There was no reason why the name of Hilton should be hidden now, for the world had been, or would be, taken into the secret. All would have been well for them were it not for the dark shadow that remained—the suggested murder of Arthur Gervaise, the tragedy of which it was impossible that George could give any explanation—this and the fear of what Lady Sara might do, the fear that in her passion of jealousy she might put her threats into execution.

They would have had reason to fear could they have been witness of a scene that transpired on the following day in Lady Sara's boudoir.

She had heard of what had happened at Mr. Fauntleroy's "at home," and she had imperiously summoned Lord Bardley.

He found himself treated with scant respect. "You fool, you fool," she cried to him. The wild beast had been aroused in her; her claws were extended eager to rend and wound. "Don't you understand that by bringing that insane charge against Hilton you were upsetting my own project of revenge? And you only succeeded in making a fool of yourself." Her words were charged with the deepest contempt.

"I can't help it," he said. "I loathe the man. I warned him that I should hurt him if I could." He mouthed the words; his loose lips twitched. "Why, do you know," he cried, "that it was I—I, who was responsible for the garotting of Hilton in his chambers at Dover-street? Yes, I got a man I know to do the job; and he did it well, too. He wasn't to kill Hilton; he was only to disable him, so that for a month or so I might have a clear field for myself. It was the same man who gave me the proof—what he called the proof—that there was another man altogether masquerading in Hilton's shoes. 'Tax him with it,' he said, 'and I'll guarantee that he'll be obliged to own up.' Well, I tried, and I failed. 'As you say, I made a fool of myself, and I suppose I shall have to answer for it in the courts."

Lady Sara turned upon him with a harsh laugh. "George Hilton will be in the dock before he can retaliate upon you," she said fiercely. "Yes, in the dock."

The man stared at her in foolish bewilderment. "What do you mean?" he exclaimed.

"George Hilton murdered my husband." Again she laughed—a laugh not good to hear. "He shall answer for it with his life. I tell you I can prove it—I can prove it."

"But—the letter," he muttered, "the letter which Gervaise wrote to me explaining that he killed himself?"

Lady Sara fixed her eyes intently upon him. "No one knows of that letter," she said slowly, "except you and I."

CHAPTER XXIV.

George Hilton was arrested on the eve of his wedding upon the charge of murder. The news was sprung upon London as a complete surprise, and the consequent sensation was tremendous.

The circumstances surrounding the death of Sir Arthur Gervaise had been practically forgotten. There had been a coroner's inquest, and the verdict returned was that of accidental death. A good deal of surprise had been evinced at the time that a man of such extended experience should have fallen victim to the kind of mishap that caused his death; but the actual justice of the verdict had never been seriously held in doubt.

Yet now it transpired, upon the evidence of Lady Sara Gervaise herself, that the famous physiologist had been wilfully murdered—and that by the hand of a man whom he regarded as a friend.

Rumour and scandal were rife, but little of the actual facts were known until the police court proceedings were opened; then, upon the first day, a fresh surprise was offered to the sensation-loving public.

Lady Sara in the witness-box avowed that the murder had been committed for love of her, and that she had refrained from at once denouncing the criminal because she returned his love. For this reason alone George Hilton had not been brought to justice earlier, and the verdict of the coroner's jury had been allowed to go undisputed.

It was a cynical admission to make, and popular feeling was aroused against the woman who made it. Lady Sara was held up to public opprobrium. Apparently she did not mind. Whether in the witness-box or sitting in the body of the court, she appeared calm and unperturbed, exquisitely gowned, strikingly beautiful. Even when upon the second day of the proceedings there was an attempt to mob her carriage, Lady Sara only smiled upon the crowd, drew her cloak closer about her, and shrugged her shapely shoulders contemptuously. No one ventured to touch her. But she was above fear; she was simply living for her revenge.

Of course, all the world knew the cause of Lady Sara's jealousy. There had no longer been any secrecy as to the coming marriage of George and Peggy—there could not well have been any after the scene at Mr. Fauntleroy's—and the event had been anticipated with much interest in society circles. Peggy had won golden opinions for herself, and there was not a single one of all the fashionable men and women, who thronged to the court as if it were a play-house, who did not sympathise with and admire her for her pluck and steady belief in her lover. It was noticed that she hardly took her eyes off him, and even the cynical King's Counsel, Humphrey Langdon, was heard to whisper to a colleague, "Jove, how that girl loves the man! It's the real thing this time."

The case against George Hilton, if not in itself an overwhelming one, was strengthened by the prisoner's inability, owing to his now well-known lapse of memory, to put in any adequate defence. He did not know what had transpired at Sir Arthur Gervaise's house on the fatal morning when the latter received his death-blow.

His presence in the house that morning could not be disputed. He had been admitted by the butler, Ansell, and the latter had also opened the door for him on his departure. On the latter occasion, it transpired, he appeared uneasy and troubled—indeed, those words were hardly strong enough to express his condition—so much so, indeed, that Ansell had afterwards commented on the fact in the servants' hall. Lady Sara's maid, however, had laughed, and accounted for Mr. Hilton's condition by the extreme probability that there had been some kind of a scene between her mistress and the man to whom, as all the world knew, she had once been engaged. And so Ansell thought no more of the matter.

(To be continued.)

BUSINESS MEN'S PICNIC.

NECESSITY FOR ORGANISATION.

Yesterday the executive of the Employers' Federation of New South Wales entertained the Country Storekeepers' Convention delegates at a harbour picnic, which many members of the federation also attended. It was a day for unbending, and the business men assembled made the most they could of the sunshine during a trip which gave the country and interstate visitors an opportunity of seeing many of the natural beauties and artificial eyesores of the harbour. The boat was moored in Middle Harbour, where dinner took place.

Mr. T. J. Hitchman (president Employers' Federation), after giving the loyal toast, proposed "Our Guests," and made complimentary reference to the work done in this and other States in connection with the formation of associations of employers for mutual defence. The visitors would notice that many of the lovely green places of the harbour were disappearing, and no doubt they would recognise that it was the duty of the various associations to do all in their power to induce the Government to preserve more of the beauty spots for the people.

This sentiment was heartily applauded, and nearly all the following speakers added their note of approval to it.

Turning to the subject of the guests and the various organisations associated with employers, Mr. Hitchman said that the federation and the country traders' associations, although not combined for offensive purposes, were compelled to organise by circumstances for defence; otherwise bit by bit they would find their privileges and rights filched from them. They were all entitled to the name of workers, but others appeared to desire it to be applied exclusively to themselves. Employers generally desired to give, and did give, a fair deal to the other workers, but unfortunately the demands of the latter were getting too heavy. He trusted that ere long the legislation dealing with wages boards would be amended, and strikes become a thing of the past.

Mr. E. T. Webb (president Country Storekeepers' Association), in responding, said that the association would never have been called into existence but for the necessity for defence. He was sorry to see so many of the natural beauties of the harbour disappearing, and hoped that Middle Harbour at any rate would be preserved.

Mr. G. Morrison (president Victorian Storekeepers' and Traders' Association) also responded, and made special reference to the bounty of nature towards Sydney. In Melbourne they had to spend millions in providing wharfage accommodation away from the mud. Like the traders' associations here, the Victorian storekeepers were not antagonistic to the workers.

Mr. C. Regan (Tamworth) proposed "The Employers' Federation of New South Wales," and referred to the value of combination on the part of employers.

Mr. A. H. Moore responded.

Afterwards the Lady Carrington was headed back to the city, making a call at Clontarf en route.

LINKING UP THE MURRAY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Your sub-leader of 17th with regard to opening up the Upper Murray and adjoining districts has attracted my attention, and although, as you remark, the subject is fairly ancient, I trust you will find space for my comments.

I refer especially to that portion of your subject dealing with railway communication with Tumbarumba, via Wagga. Twenty-five years ago this connecting link was deemed advisable, and in 1885 money was actually voted for the construction of the 47 miles, taking the line to Humula. With the development which has taken place in Riverina of late years, what was perhaps an experiment then is an absolute and crying necessity now. That 47 miles traverses country second to none in this State, and engineering difficulties are absolutely nil. It is not till one passes beyond Humula and reaches the hilly country (through which, by the way, the whole length of the Mount Horeb-Tumbarumba line passes) that any obstacle presents itself; but even then the class of country is vastly different from the rugged tracts met with on the other route.

The only warranty for the construction of the Mount Horeb line appears to be the absolutely unfounded fear that if the connection were made here at Wagga Sydney might lose the trade of the country opened up, by reason of the proximity of this town to the Victorian border. This might be fit food for mirth were the construction of this line not considered of such vital importance to this thriving centre, seeing that Wagga Wagga is looked upon by the average Sydney commercial traveller as the "best town on the south" from a business point of view.

With regard to the actual distance from the metropolis of this State:—Sydney to Mount Horeb, 306 miles; Mount Horeb to Tumbarumba, 55 miles. Total, 361 miles. Sydney to Wagga, 314 miles; Wagga to Tumbarumba, 62 miles. Total, 376 miles. The distances Mount Horeb and Wagga to Tumbarumba are measured as the crow flies, but when it comes to actual construction, by reason of the easier country traversed by the Wagga line, that difference would almost wholly disappear. Again, it has to be considered that Mount Horeb is an insignificant station on a branch line, necessitating two changes for passengers and much shunting of goods to reach the objective—Tumbarumba.

Wagga is an important station on the Main Southern line, having an ample water supply, large goods sheds and station yards, and there would only be one transfer of either goods or passengers.

Again, there are other matters to be considered. In droughty seasons starving stock come in thousands from the dry south-west to the hills. The distance from Junee (the South-western junction) to Wagga is 22 miles, while from Junee to Mount Horeb is 84 miles—a difference of 62 miles in haulage, and this, moreover, at a time when the resources of the railways are taxed to the uttermost, would be severely felt.

There is also the social aspect. Wagga, with an urban population of nearly 8000 people (soon to reach 10,000), is one of the hottest towns in the State in the summer time. Junee, 22 miles away, can add another 2000, to say nothing of smaller centres, and those at greater distances, who would by a journey of 60 or 70 miles be then able to reach the cooler climate of the mountains in the height of summer. What a consummation devoutly to be wished for by the then sweltering men, women, and children of Riverina.

Finally, by reason of economy in construction, and, after construction, in economy of working; for the superiority of the country served, for its convenience to the semi-arid south-west in times of drought, and after a quarter of a century of delays and broken promises, surely the time has now come for the turning of the first sod of the Wagga-Tumbarumba railway. I am, etc.,

WM. LENDON SHAW,
Secretary,
Aug. 18. Wagga Chamber of Commerce.

INDIGESTION AND HEADACHE.

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ON THE LAND.

FARM AND STATION.

THE BUTTER BUSINESS.

WHY GRADING IS NECESSARY.

There are men interested in the dairying industry who honestly cannot realise the necessity for the compulsory Government grading of butter. They might profitably consider the logical deduction of the following extract from the July issue of the "Coastal Farmers' Gazette":—"All the butter stored on behalf of factories consigning to the Coastal Farmers' Society was placed in a special coolroom reserved for this purpose. The temperature was maintained at a very low rate, never exceeding 19 degrees, and was frequently much lower. A daily record was kept of the temperature, and a periodical inspection of the butter made by our salesman. Despite these special arrangements we regret to say that a large percentage of the butter has kept very badly. We know, of course, that a lot of it was put away during the hot months at the end of the summer, but the primary cause of its deterioration is lack of close supervision in the grading of the cream. Naturally enough, butter stored for any period which has been made from over-ripe cream deteriorates very quickly, more particularly after it has been allowed to thaw, and is exposed for a day or two. We supplied a lot of this butter in good faith to customers, only to have it subsequently returned on our hands owing to its rapid deterioration. So far the winter has been mild, and there has been an absence of boisterous weather on the coast. The bulk of the best quality stored has now been sold, and conditions during the next six weeks may help our efforts towards unloading the balance, when no opportunity will be lost of effecting a clearance. Failing this it must pass on to London." It is no secret that there is a large quantity of stored butter in Sydney at present, much of which is very poor quality, and agents are finding it difficult to dispose of locally. No doubt they will do anything possible to get rid of it locally, but a question of concern to the industry is whether "failing this it must pass on to London."

That there will be considerable soreness amongst the suppliers whose butter was stored, and chagrin at having followed that course, may be expected. It is to be regretted that co-operation should have such an experience, as the co-operative system is undoubtedly the one system that can secure, under efficient management and good advice, the best returns to the supplier. But that is a matter that can be settled amongst those directly concerned. Where the industry and State becomes interested is in the fact that large quantities of butter—deteriorated stored butter—are likely to be sent to the London market, as has happened before, and that the law cannot prevent it. London is our best customer for butter, and it is a mad policy to ship off butter that cannot be sold locally, on account of its low quality, to our best customer. Can there be any question that such business must adversely affect the reputation of New South Wales butter in the leading market in the world? And we cannot afford to damage our reputation in the slightest way with the growing competition we are meeting. Every nerve will have to be strained, and more active steps taken by the Government if we are to hold the position we have gained. It will not be held, let alone improved, by putting thousands of boxes of such butter on the market, as the product of New South Wales. No doubt it will be argued by the anti-graders that there is a demand for all grades of butter in London, and that this old stored butter will be sold as such, to make the best of a bad job. But what guarantee has the State that this butter is not marketed as sound New South Wales butter, and as such, passed on to the trade and the consumer, with the result that both are prejudiced, and not unnaturally, against our butter. Had we effective laws to regulate the industry, or a Government that understood the best interests of the industry, such butter would either not be permitted to leave this country, or, if it was, would be branded as second-class, or stale, if that happened to be its condition. As it is, there is no power to interfere with it, and when we find that certain commercial interests are served by utilising the London market as a medium for working off stuff that is unsaleable locally, it is easy to understand why there is such strenuous opposition in certain quarters to Government supervision and grading. It is not so easy to understand how that opposition can be accepted as being in the best interests of the dairying industry and the great co-operative movement.

The reason Danish butter occupies such an enviable place on the London market is the fact that only the first-class article is allowed to be exported. The Danes recognise what a valuable customer Britain is, and are not so foolish as to allow any section of the industry to foul the common nest and lower the reputation of their product. We have a lot to learn before we can hope to secure the best rewards of the hard work of dairying, and the men that do the hard work year in and year out must learn that a better system than the present is necessary. Farmers and factory managers both require educating, but some supervision over the commercial side of the business is equally necessary. And the quickest and soundest medium of education and supervision will be found in a thorough system of compulsory Government grading. That alone will serve to maintain our reputation in London, educate both our farmers and factories to produce a first-class article, as it has done in New Zealand, and to put an end to practices which cannot be considered beneficial to the industry as a whole, even if it is not possible to "pass it on to London" with such a system in force.

ITEMS.

The owner of Fairview orchard, Renmark, has sold his consignment of oranges included in a recent export shipment at the very payable price of £1 per case, to arrive in London.

Messrs. Hain and Searight, Sydney, report the sale, on behalf of the trustees of the estate of the late G. H. Jones, of Kilkivan Station, situated in the Wide Bay district of Queensland, comprising 16,550 acres freehold. The purchasers are Messrs. A. J., E. H., and O. C. Litchfield and J. S. Abbott. It is the intention of the purchasers to subdivide and offer the property for sale.

On the 30 acres of demonstration plots at Tatura (Vic.) irrigation settlement special attention has been paid to lucerne. The land was well tilled and graded before the seed was planted last September. Four crops have since been cut. The Arabian variety proved superior to any others. It does well during the winter.

Until the trust people began shipping frozen mutton and beef, says a London meat authority, their operations had little concern for the various parties who handle Australian and New Zealand mutton, lamb, and beef. For many years past Swifts and Armours have been small buyers of frozen mutton and lamb, and several years ago, when Australasian mutton was very scarce and dear here, they shipped over some parcels from Chicago. But now that they are handling considerable quantities of frozen mutton, lamb, and beef the position is quite different.

The "Clarence and Richmond Examiner" writes:—"The Minister for Agriculture, Mr. Perry, says he has known potatoes to be as high as £30 a ton. On the question of the amount of business done at that price he was silent. This State, of course, could very quickly grow all the potatoes it requires. But it is not a question of growing the tubers. Getting them to market is the trouble. What will it cost to land in Sydney a ton of potatoes from Dorrigo? New South Wales is a land of distances. It is also a land of acute centralisation. These combined mean heavy railway freights. And heavy railway freights beat the man on the land."

A Mullumbimby dairy farmer recently let his property at an annual rent of £2 per acre. Thirty-five shillings is a usual rent now. The result is that many tenant farmers are feeling the strain, and are on the look out for properties of their own. Most of them have chased all the ballots which have been held on the North Coast during the past two or three years unsuccessfully, and the exodus to Queensland threatens to increase if the State Government neglects to open up more of the Crown lands still available in those districts.

Messrs. Tindale and Co., Muswellbrook, and Joseph Leeds and Co., Sydney, report having sold privately block 9 of Belmont subdivision, containing an area of 519½ acres freehold and 383 acres C.L., at a satisfactory price, to Mr. Wm. Hogan.

MARGARINE.

"A. W." writes:—With your permission I would have a few words on the subject of margarine versus butter. In discussing this matter, let us at least be logical. One writer draws a pathetic picture from pigs fed with all sorts of undesirable offal and refuse at isolated country shambles. But I think, even admitting this, that the impurity of the article cannot be sustained; for, in the first rendering of fat, a fairly high temperature must be attained, certainly above that necessary to destroy all germ life. And after the tallow is received into the factory it goes through a much more severe refining course before being converted into margarine. It seems to me that the contraction of phthisis is more likely to come from butter, which comes more direct from the beast, and goes through no heat-destroying course, to say nothing of the insanitary state of the yards and dairies in isolated country districts. And margarine has the advantage that it becomes a little stale, and if taken back to the factory and reboiled it becomes the first-class article again. We may, I think, take it for granted that margarine, if properly manufactured, is a perpectly wholesome and nutritious food. Yesterday I noticed a quantity of margarine (unbranded) in 1lb pats, marked as "our superior" at 8½d. The uninitiated would buy this for butter; therefore it is necessary that the law should be stringent as to the identification of the article from the time of manufacture. Especially when exposed for sale it should be plainly marked, whether in case, jar, or pat.

LAND SETTLEMENT.

Mr. A. G. Hule writes:—In concluding an article on "Land Settlement" on the 18th inst. the "Sydney Morning Herald" states:—

"But in considering the question of land settlement the great absolute necessity that confronts this State is to consider the means that will bring under cultivation and settlement the millions of acres of rich land that lie at present within touch of our railways, and are not being utilised to the fullest benefit of the State. It is rapidly becoming apparent that this will never be done effectively by the resumption policy, and it therefore remains either for owners to voluntarily open up these areas or for the State to compel them by initiating aggressive legislation."

I think that that statement fairly expresses the general feeling of the public. The need of the hour is a means to attain the end desired. Permit me to submit a scheme, and to illustrate it by explaining how it will apply to landowners, large and small. My proposal is that the interest on the cost of railways should be made a charge upon land values, instead of upon freights and fares. Building railways only adds to the value of land; it does not increase the value of the products of the land or increase wages. For these reasons interest on cost is a fair charge to put upon land values. If that were done freights and fares could be reduced by one-third.

Let me work it out with the aid of an actual example:—A farmer living about two miles from Black Mountain railway station, which is 379 miles from Sydney. He has 245 acres, and cultivates about 75 acres. Here are particulars concerning the traffic he provided for the railways last year:—

90 tons potatoes to Redfern sales, at 4/11 per ton	£51 0 4
2 tons oats to Redfern sales, at 11/4 per ton	1 2 4
30 tons chaff to Redfern sales, at 11/9 per ton	17 12 6
Freight on bags used	3 14 2
Railway fares	3 1 3
Freight on machinery	2 1 6
Total	£78 12 1

Even these items do not show the total revenue obtained by the railway, because of the industry of this farmer. Charges on furniture, clothing, groceries, twine, oil, etc., are not included. If the farmer finds it better, on account of the state of the market, to send some of his potatoes to Wallangarra, which is only 113 miles distant, the freight is 12/9 per ton; or if to Narrabri, Moree, Burren Junction, or Inverell, it comes to 100 to 150 per cent. more than to Redfern. These particulars show that in taking that farmer's share of the railway charges for last year at £78 12s 1d I am very moderate. It is clearly pounds less than the actual sum.

The total cost of construction and equipment of our railways to June 30, 1908, was £45,683,484. The total revenue was £4,944,134, and the interest paid on cost was £1,694,364, or a little more than one-third of the revenue for the year ended June 30 last. Suppose we say that this interest charge had to be met by the landowners in proportion to the value of their land. That value may be fairly set down at about £180,000,000. A tax of 2½d in the £ would give a revenue of, say, £1,875,000. Let us work it out how the change affects the farmer. We noticed that the farmer paid £78 12s 1d in freights and fares. One-third of that would be £26 4s. If the system of requiring the landowner to pay for the increased value which the railway gives to the land was adopted, that farmer would pay £26 4s less. Now for the other side of the picture. What would he pay in land tax? The unimproved capital value of his land is assessed at £640, and the improved value at £1235. A tax of 2½d on £640 comes to £6 13s 4d. He would save £26 4s. on freights and fares, and pay £6 13s 4d land tax, showing a net saving of £19 10s 8d. So much for how it affects the farmer. Suppose we see how much would be paid in land tax on that portion of the Peel River Estate resumed for closer settlement by the Government at £406,000. At 2½d in the £ it would come to £3802. The use of the valuable agricultural land for grazing does not provide much traffic, hence the tax would be a powerful influence in favour of voluntary subdivision by the owners on easy terms.

The present system greatly overburdens the farmer, while the big landowner who runs a few sheep on agricultural land has an enormous advantage. He uses it to block the progress of the country, as hundreds of great estates bear witness. Make him pay his share of the railway interest by making it a charge upon land values, by an allround tax of 2½d in the £. It cannot hurt the farmer, as I have proved. It means largely reducing the farmer's burden, and making the squatter pay his share. It supplies a further illustration of how the present system oppresses the farmer. It costs a farmer £3 10s 6d to send £30 worth of potatoes from Black Mountain to Sydney, while a grazier can send £100 worth of wool for £3 3s 10d. Thus the men who are blocking settlement get their wool—which does not cost as much in labour—carried over the railways at less than one-third of what the farmer pays, if we look at the value of the wool and the value of the potatoes.

BATTENS ON LUCERNE.

Mr. T. Quin, George's Plains, writes:—There are various ways in vogue of pressing lucerne hay. Some press large bales of 26 to 33 to truck, bundles of 48 to truck, smaller of 80 to truck, and derrick pressed. I will write of 48 to truck. An average weight of 48 to truck is about 105cwt. Each bundle takes four battens, 192 to truck. From recent letters in your valuable page it seems that the dairy farmers think the lucerne growers put the battens on for gain in the same manner as the dairy farmers watered their milk in the past. I do not doubt that some growers do put on extra heavy battens to make their lucerne weigh more, but a large majority of growers would be pleased if it were possible to do without battens altogether, as they are expensive, and generally cost the grower more than he gets for them. The chief reason that battens are required on lucerne is to keep it in the position in which it is pressed, so that it can be placed on the truck. It takes a batten of certain strength to stand the pressure of the wire binding the bale. If no battens were used, it would be an impossibility to place the average of 105cwt on the truck. The complaining consumers must understand that the farmer has to pay freight on six tons even if he puts but four on, and as he puts an average of 105cwt on he has to pay (from our station) 6s for 15cwt that he cannot put on the truck. Therefore, if Parliament should pass a law to deduct the weight of the battens, which is about a half ton to the truck, the farmer would pay freight for 25cwt that he does not get paid for. If the proposed law is passed the consumer will have to pay more for lucerne as production under the law will cost more, and squeeze several producers who are a long distance from market out of the trade. I can safely say that nine-tenths of the lucerne is grown more than 150 miles from Sydney, and rather than come up to the proposed law the farmers would fatten lambs, dairy, etc. The consumer has the remedy in his own hands. He is not compelled to buy a truck with excessive battens. He can see what he is buying on the truck if he deals at auction. Usually the owner's name is on the truck, if not, he can be supplied with it by the selling agent, and if he is taken in with his purchase, he need not again buy lucerne sent by that owner; or if he does buy, pay less for it. This would give the honest consignee a show. Mr. Bowyer Smijth complains about thistles and rubbish in bales. The first (spring) cut is invariably mixed with a growth of weeds more or less, and it is an impossibility to thoroughly separate them. It is also the heaviest cut and represents about one-third of the year's supply. So, again, if the producer was not allowed to send it to market on account of a few thistles, etc., which often make good fodder, the consumer would have to pay much more for pure stuff, as there would be a small supply. Doubtless buyers are thinking that the growers are having a golden time in the high prices of recent years, but they must not forget that the drought which made the demand for fodder so keen also made the farmer's cuts very light. Not many years since if the consumers were given the lucerne flats to cut, press, market, etc., they could not have lucerne as cheap as they were buying it. I would like to point out what seems to me an injustice to the farmers. When the truck is sold at Sydney the farmer should have no more to do with it, but he has to deliver it to the purchaser, which costs from 14s to 25s.

THE ELLENGERAH LEASES.

In the Legislative Assembly last evening Mr. Fitzpatrick asked the Minister for Lands if, in view of the decision of the High Court in regard to the Ellengerah leases, he would take some steps with the object of making those leases legal, or to recoup the successful balloters the expense they had been put to.

The Minister, in reply, said that, in the absence of the Premier, the House could hardly expect him to make a definite statement as to the intentions of the Government. No doubt when the House met next week the Premier would make an announcement. He would like, however, to emphasise the fact that, whatever was done, the Government would stand by the settlers who had acquired these holdings. (Cheers.)

DAIRY INSPECTION.

The dairy inspecting staff of the Board of Health travelled 3238 miles during July, and inspected 702 dairy premises, 6 factories, 21,083 dairy cattle (condemning 108), 35 slaughtering premises, and 40 beef cattle. The application of the tuberculin test was applied in 49 cases. The inspections covered eight police districts and eight municipal districts.

FARMERS' MEETINGS.

CONDOBOLIN.—At a meeting of the Condobolin branch of the Farmers' and Settlers' Association, Mr. D. H. Tasker, sen., was appointed a delegate to wait on the Minister for Works, in conjunction with representatives of the Wamboyne Railway League, in favour of the construction of a railway from Wyalong to Condobolin.

NARRABRI.—At the monthly meeting of the Maule's Creek Farmers and Settlers' Association it was resolved to co-operate with the Baan Baa branch, protesting against the appointment of an assistant rabbit inspector by the Narrabri P.P. Board. A resolution was also carried protesting against the appointment of a rabbit inspector at all, on the grounds that it was an unnecessary burden on the landholder.

PASTURES BOARDS.

ARMIDALE.—The stock inspector, Mr. Fielder, reports to the Armidale Pastures Protection Board that during a recent inspection of the Salisbury group rabbit-proof fences he found that rabbits had increased to a great extent. But at Salisbury they were fewer, owing principally to the destruction of harbours. He emphasised the necessity for their eradication.

DAIRY SCIENCE SCHOOL.

TAMWORTH.—At the Dairy Science School on Tuesday the work was mainly churning the creams graded on Monday. The creams were classified on a bacteriological basis. The students examined the various butters, and had no difficulty in placing the butter the same way as classified by the cream grader.

HARASSING DAIRYMEN.

MOLONG.—At the recent half-yearly meeting of the Molong District Dairying Company, Mr. S. P. Reynolds, chairman of directors, strongly resented the way dairymen were being harassed by Government inspectors. These officers, he said, would come along from time to time, each one condemning alterations that his predecessor had ordered to be carried out. This harassed the supplier to such an extent that he really didn't know what to do, as there was no finality to the instructions. The dairymen favoured the appointing of one inspector to work the respective districts.

LAMBS DYING.

MOLONG.—A couple of weeks back a large number of lambs were dying in this district in a rather mysterious way, and since then others have succumbed apparently to the same cause. Stock Inspector Finch is of the opinion that a good many of the deaths were due to inflammation, caused by the tails of the lambs being seared off with half-cold irons.

AGRICULTURAL SHOWS.

FORBES.

FORBES.—The show was continued on Thursday in fine weather. The attendance was excellent. A smoke concert, under the auspices of the association, was held in the Town Hall on Wednesday night, Mr. A. J. Reymond in the chair. About £200 was promised for special prizes at next year's show. The president announced that the entries exceeded previous years by 25 per cent. Sixty new members joined. The horse judge, Mr. Frank Mack, said the general parade of stock was the best he had seen on any showground.

Additional awards:—

Agricultural Produce.—Wheat: Govan, Gilchrist, and Co., 1; H. Besgrove, 2. Malting barley: Prevost Bros. Cape barley: W. Day, 1; M. Brown, 2. Skinless barley: Moss Brown. Algerian oats: Prevost Bros. Tartarian oats: Prevost Bros. Maize: G. Trevitt. Wheaten hay: J. Besgrove, 1; G. Austin, 2. Oaten hay: J. Besgrove, 1; Prevost Bros., 2. Lucerne hay: G. Trevitt, 1; J. Doris and Sons, 2. Wheaten chaff: J. Besgrove, 1; W. Rae, 2. Oaten chaff: J. Besgrove, 1; W. Day, 2. Bag flour: J. B. Reymond and Sons. Collection vegetables: A. S. Wheatley, 1; J. Howell, 2. Collection cereals: Prevost Bros., 1; G. Trevitt, 2. Collection fruits, bottled and raw: J. Howell. Collection produce: G. Trevitt, 1; Prevost Bros., 2. Collection farm produce, in trophy form: Geo. Trevitt (Bathurst), 1; Prevost Bros. (Moss Vale), 2. Four bushel bag wheat, grown within 30 miles Forbes: Govan, Gilchrist, and Co., 1; H. Besgrove, 2. Fresh table butter: Miss Beasley, 1; Mrs. Armour, 2. Fancy butter: Miss Beasley. Cheese: Prevost Bros. Bacon: G. Trevitt, 1; F. Nevell, 2. Hams: Prevost Bros. Home-made bread: Mrs. Armour. Honey display, in trophy form: T. S. M'Dade. Collection dairy produce: M. J. Smith, 1; Prevost Bros., 2.

Ring Events.—Ladies' jumping contest: A. Judd (Miss Kirk, rider). Trotting mare: M. Field, 1; Burless, 2. Pony jumper: W. Rees. Farmers' buggy pair: W. Rees. Farmers' harness horse: A. G. Minter. Farmers' pony: F. Newell. Farmers' pair light harness horses: W. Rees. Single harness pony, 13 hands: R. J. Baker. Harness pony, 14 hands: A. Robinson. No. 2 handicap trot: G. Clifford's Stella, 22 behind, 2; Dr. Delohery's Jack Johnson, 2. Tandem team: W. Rees. Pony and sulky turnout: Dr. Broadbent. All-round horse: D. Hannah. Light harness horse, 15 hands: S. Strickland. Harness horse, over 15 hands: A. Judd. Pair harness horses: Arthur Osborne. Hunting contest: P. N. Shea's Signal, 1; A. Judd's Sunrise, 2. High jump: P. N. Shea's Signal, 1; A. Judd's Desmond, 2. Trot, for three-year-olds and under: M. Field's Blackwood Chief. Pony handicap trot: G. C. Friend. Bob water jump: P. N. Shea's Skipper. Sulky turnout: H. W. Thatcher. Pony stallion, 14 hands: F. J. Sharp.

DISTRICT ITEMS.

ALBURY.—The Albury Land Board on Wednesday gave a decision regarding the application of the executors of the late Mr. Alexander M'Bean, of Kirndeen, for the annual lease of 500 acres. The application was strenuously opposed by the stock board. The board decided to recommend a refusal, and said that in its opinion the original revocation of the reserve from lease should be cancelled, and the land permanently reserved. An application of the Lands Department to cancel the Jinders temporary common with a view to making it a reserve for travelling stock was recommended.

CAMPBELLTOWN.—A sale of stock was held here on Wednesday. The cattle penned consisted principally of heifers, with calves at foot. The prices realised were up to £7.

UNANDERRA.—The westerly winds which lately prevailed sucked up much water from the waterholes, and arrested all growth of crops and grass. Farmers are crying out for rain. The milk yield is low. All farmers are hand-feeding more or less. The Government experimental plots have been top-dressed, and considering the weather promise well.

SALE OF PROPERTY.

PEAK HILL.—The sale is announced of Mr. J. P. M'Cudden's property, Tomingley, of 2200 acres C.P. and C.L. The purchaser is Mr. James Bland, well known about Dubbo, who was recently left a fortune.

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POSTAL COMMISSION.

"CHEAP AND NASTY SERVICE."

At the Commonwealth Offices yesterday the Commission of inquiry into the postal, telegraphic, and telephonic services was continued Mr. W. H. Wilks, M.P., presided.

Charles J. Murphy, manager of telegraphs, gave further evidence relating to his department. A strict supervision was exercised over the messenger-boys, who were fined for being late or walking in company.

To Mr. Webster: He could do with more than 10 new lines, but only made application for 10 as he was told to keep requirements down to the minimum. The condensor system was not a success in many ways. It meant a reduction in the working capacity of the Brewarrina line by 50 per cent. Other lines were curtailed to a less degree.

Mr. Webster: This effort to do work with inadequate means has resulted in a cheap and nasty service?

Witness: That's just it. There is an urgent necessity for relief. I have made application every year for relief, but the orders were struck out.

Mr. Webster: You appealed in vain?

Witness: Yes. Continuing, he said that the public suffered all round on account of the superimposing of the condensers. It resulted in more work for the staff, and more nervous affections of the operators. The minimum wage for telegraphists had been raised recently.

Mr. Webster: Since this Commission has been sitting.

Continuing, witness said that the service could be improved by the granting of bonuses for efficiency. At present promotion was granted in order of seniority. There were certain officers worth £200 a year, who were only receiving £170, and on the question of lines, witness said the department had been parsimoniously treated. In spite of the great increase of business, very little provision was made for new lines. Witness thought it equitable to charge three times the usual rates for cypher messages.

On the question of juniors, witness said some school of instruction was necessary. There was no proper provision for training telegraphists. It would also be an advantage if country press messages were sent earlier in the morning. This news consisted mostly of clippings. There were several men in his department who desired to get into another branch, where there was better chance of promotion. Men in the department, with the necessary qualifications, should not be called upon to pass the examination.

Alexander Burnett was superintendent of mails since 1902, and had a general experience from operator, postmaster, and inspector. His office should allow of more inspectorial work. He would have the trains run more in accordance with postal requirements. During a tour of the States, four years ago, he found the New South Wales service generally superior to that of the other States. In his management of the mail branch he was assisted by an assistant superintendent, five supervisors, and six assistant supervisors. Generally, the staff was satisfactory, but the superintendent should have authority to exchange officers. At present he needed 67 additional officers, including one mail officer, 45 sorters, 3 letter-carriers, 6 junior lettercarriers, 11 assistants, and 1 driver. The staff at present consisted of 13 clerks, 19 mail officers, 39 despatching officers, 64 senior sorters, 151 sorters, 86 postal assistants and overseer, 124 letter-carriers, 39 mail boys, 34 mail drivers, 8 grooms, and 2 farriers. The discipline was fairly good. The superintendent's powers of supervision were restricted by the faulty construction of the building. Witness recommended the resumption of the whole block from Martin-place to King-street, in preference to the Queen Victoria Markets. The shops could still retain the frontages. The staff was fairly satisfactory, but some of the men were physically unfit for the work.

Witness, continuing, said the mail room was not as clean as it should have been on the occasion of the inspection. There was insufficient room for the men to work satisfactorily, and they were often cramped for space. There was not nearly enough delegation of authority. Some time ago he transferred some officers to positions in which their services could be more profitably utilised. His appointments were overridden, and the officers transferred to their old positions. He was captain of the ship, and wanted to move from point to point, but was hampered in his movements.

Mr. Wilks: Some one on shore was steering. (Laughter.)

The commission then adjourned till the following day.

PARLIAMENTARY BUILDINGS.

COST £54,445 FOR 20 YEARS.

NEW £150,000 SCHEME.

Mr. W. L. Vernon, Government Architect, was further examined before the Public Works Committee yesterday in regard to the proposed remodelling of the Parliamentary buildings.

He stated a design had been prepared that provided for the rebuilding of Parliament House (with the exception of the recently erected library and detailed committee rooms, etc.). It necessitated the removal of the librarian's, stewards', and servants' quarters, and Richmond House, and provided for the utilisation of that most desirable frontage to the Domain so strongly recommended by the Royal Commission on the Improvement of Sydney.

The new facade to Macquarie-street, and the dominating central tower (both provided for in the previous scheme) were retained, and a considerable external improvement was also gained in the recession of the building generally from its original alignment flanking the Nightingale wing of the Sydney Hospital buildings.

The accommodation now provided was generally of a better and more dignified character than before, and more in keeping with the importance and political position of the State of New South Wales, while the general proportion of the two chambers had been studied. The seating for members was limited to the present statutory number, and the general dimensions were kept within such limits as should ensure proper accoustic qualification and studied convenience.

An essential feature of the design was that both Houses of Parliament could be erected and completed ready for occupation without any disturbance to the existing chambers. The cost of the scheme was approximately estimated at £150,600, and if the work were commenced at once the new buildings would be ready for use in October of next year. The total expenditure on the existing buildings from June 1, 1889, to June 30, 1909 (20 years), was £54,445 12s 5d, and of this £33,866 9s 11d was expended in additions, and £20,579 2s 6d in repairs and maintenance.

NORTH SHORE FERRIES.

QUESTIONS IN PARLIAMENT.

Three sets of questions having relation to the ferry service between Sydney and North Sydney were asked by Mr. Clark, in the Legislative Assembly last evening. The first set dealt with vehicle traffic, and drew from Mr. Oakes, as representative of the Treasurer, a statement that the horse ferry docks at Dawes Point and Fort Macquarie were entirely under the control of the Sydney Harbour Trust, but by the arrangements under which the ferry company had at present the use of the docks, the Trust had no power to regulate the timetable and charges. At times inconvenience was caused by irregular running, and inability of the vehicle boats to carry the traffic, but the Harbour Trust had not considered it advisable to exercise its power of inviting, by open competition, applications for a quarter-hour service. The Commissioners were prepared to consider applications for accommodation for ferry services between any points in the port, but they had no power to establish such services.

Mr. Clark next wished to know whether the Sydney Ferries, Ltd., had met the wishes of the Railway Commissioners with regard to the more efficient linking up of the ferry service with the improved tram and train service to the Northern suburbs. He was informed that the Ferry Company had been approached, but could not see its way at the time to accede. The number of passengers carried by rail to and from Milson's Point exceeded 10,000,000 annually, but the Chief Commissioner did not favour, at present, the initiation by his department of a competitive ferry service.

In his third set of questions, Mr. Clark wished to know what was being done to cope with the congestion of traffic on the Milson's Point-Lavender Bay jetty at Circular Quay. Mr. Oakes replied:—"The Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners are aware that congestion does at times exist at No. 5 Jetty, and several means of providing a more convenient and expeditious method of dealing with the traffic have been under consideration. The matter is still engaging the attention of the Commissioners, and, until the negotiations between the company and the Commissioners shall have been completed, it is considered undesirable to give fuller information. A rental of £1100 yearly was paid for No. 5 Jetty, and the lease was for five years from June 1, 1908."

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OXFORD-ST. RESUMPTIONS.

TO BE DONE IN SECTIONS.

WHAT ABOUT THE HOTELS?

A special meeting of the City Council, called yesterday to consider the procedure to be adopted in connection with the remodelling of Oxford-street, authorised the carrying out of the resumptions block by block.

The Lord Mayor had already issued two minutes on the subject, one on May 27, and the other on July 29. In the first, he stated that the resumptions would cover a considerable period, and proposed that Hallam's corner and the section between Liverpool and Burton streets should be remodelled in 1910, giving the residents a year's tenure; that the section between Burton and Crown streets should be remodelled in 1911, giving a two years' tenure; that the Crown to Palmer streets section should be remodelled in 1912, giving a three years' tenure; and that the last section, Palmer-street to Bourke-street, should be remodelled in 1913, giving a tenure of four years. In the second minute he suggested that the council begin the demolition of the first section as soon as possible after June 30, 1910, and that three of the five existing hotels should be retained.

At yesterday's special meeting the Lord Mayor said that when his (second) minute had come up for discussion a fortnight ago, he had neglected to obtain definite authority to commence the demolition of the final section. The matter should be dealt with promptly, because the Oxford-street tenants wanted to know definitely what the council meant to do. Personally, he did not think it would be possible to remodel the first section (Liverpool-street to Burton-street) until the end of the next year. It was understood that all the Oxford-street tenants were to have one year's tenure certain. No. 2 section (Burton-street to Crown-street) would take, probably, another year or two. The council could knock the whole place down in 12 months if it wanted to, but he was sure the aldermen would strongly resent such an action. They did not want to drive business away from the street altogether. There were the five hotels, the Burdekin, the Exchange, the Kelso, the Crecy, and the Oxford, the first two of which stood in the section to be first resumed. The first had about a 21 years' lease, the second had 17 years, the lease of the third had expired, the fourth had 3½ years to run, and the last 10 years. By spreading the resumptions over three or four years the value of these leases would be correspondingly decreased. The remodelling in front of Darlinghurst Gaol could be commenced at once. The hotel at the corner of the city and Paddington boundaries had not been resumed. The whole scheme, from the Burdekin to the Oxford Hotel, would take four or five years. In the whole matter he was in the council's hands, but he wanted something definite from them. He moved that the demolition take place block by block.

Alderman Lawrence objected. In this way they would interfere with the traffic for a number of years. He would rather see the whole thing pulled down at once. Four years ago they were going to remodel Wexford-street in 18 months, and they had hardly begun it yet. He suggested that the council should wait two or three years, until all claims had been settled, and all arrangements made, and then make a clean sweep of it.

The Lord Mayor: You don't want to drive all the shopkeepers away, do you?

Alderman Lawrence: You'll drive them away, anyhow. The subject should not be decided by so small a council. There was not present a majority of the council members, so that even if they were unanimous their decision would not be a majority decision of the full council.

The Lord Mayor: This has been before the council for three months.

Alderman Lawrence: But there has been no vote on it. The whole work should not be spread over more than two years.

Alderman Clark thought the Lord Mayor's minute was a good business proposition. If they put through all the resumptions at once the street would lose trade, and they would have a great deal of difficulty in getting it back again. These hotels were valuable properties, and they should throw away no business. Besides, if they put much land on the market at one time there would be a glut, and values would go down.

Alderman Ward, on the whole, agreed with the Lord Mayor.

So did Alderman English; but they had, he said, no right to do away with the hotels. He thought the council might be able to dispose of 50 years' leases of the hotels at a price which would pay for the resumption. The Exchange Hotel, which was now in the middle of a block, might after resumptions be at a street corner, in which case it would be worth far more.

Alderman Mallett also supported the Lord Mayor's minute. The resumption block by block, according to the minute, was then adopted, one dissenting. "As to the question of the hotels," said the Lord Mayor, "I'll confer on the matter, and report to council."

CHEAP MEDICINES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I only venture into the discussion under the above heading to reply to the statements of your correspondent, "J. E. Hansen," in to-day's "Herald." He states, in reply to a letter from Mr. Hardy, that "it would be ridiculous to enter into minute details to refute his statements." I am much afraid that Mr. Hansen could be made to appear ridiculous, but I am not going to enter into these minute details which are well known to the members of friendly societies. Mr. Hansen states "the dispensary is an anomaly apparently in vogue as a friendly society affair, but run on commercial principles of a doubtful nature, and that the dispensing in these places consists generally of bottling up 'stock medicines' of a particularly economic nature, and also that dispensaries are always open to purchase drugs of any standard, providing they are cheap." As a member of the board of management for some years, and the immediate past president of the Sydney United Friendly Societies' Dispensary (the largest of its kind in the Southern Hemisphere), I say unhesitatingly that Mr. Hansen states what is absolutely inaccurate in every particular. We purchase drugs of the highest standard and purest quality, and we give the patient exactly "what the doctor orders," and I think I am safe in saying that we often supply expensive medicines which are prescribed by the medical fraternity that the ordinary chemist would not supply under contract, but would charge extra for them; and, as it is generally admitted that the proof of the pudding is in the eating, we must be giving every satisfaction, as our membership is continually increasing, as can be proved on reference to the quarterly statements published by the institution. Mr. Hansen's experience in friendly societies' dispensaries must be very limited, otherwise he would have refrained from making such disparaging statements. As regards the dispensers and assistants employed by the before-mentioned institution, they must be fully qualified by examination, and this is sufficient answer to his statement as to the usual run of dispensers employed by dispensaries. Vacancies are very rare, but when one occurs there are always a large number of qualified applicants who are ready, willing, and anxious to secure the position, and even some of the most capable and highly qualified chemists are anxious to fill "temporary" positions with a possible hope of securing a permanent appointment when opportunity offers. I could quote figures to prove that dispensaries are giving every satisfaction to the members of friendly societies, but as the benefits are well known and highly appreciated by those affiliated with the institutions I refrain from encroaching on your valuable space. Sufficient to say that those interested will not take Mr. Hansen's remarks as serious, well knowing that often "fools rush in where angels fear to tread."

I am, etc.,

Aug. 18. W. J. WALKER.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—On reading Mr. A. E. Roper's letter in to-day's "Herald" in respect to stock and machine-made pills, I would advise the public, at all times, to get their pills if required from a reliable moderately charging (not a "Cheap Jack") chemist, freshly prepared from his fresh drugs.

There are very few drugs—and when I say "drugs," I do not mean tinctures and liniments—that will deteriorate to any extent, in say six months, and a chemist who is doing "thousands" of prescriptions, who has had a proper training, and who is not too lazy, will always prefer, if he has his work at heart, to make any pill up at his own counter, and therefore know what he is putting in it, and not rely only on the word and reputation of even some reputable "firm."

Personally, I do not dispense so very many "thousands" of prescriptions, but what I do dispense, not one in a hundred of any firm's pills, tablets, etc., is specified, but my medical supporters for a change always prefer me to make up everything I possibly can, and not use other persons', and I think the reason why is, because they can trust me (the chemist) to give what they order and want.

Aug. 18. I am, etc., NEMO.

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FOR VALOUR.

SHIPWRECK RELIEF SOCIETY'S AWARDS.

On the occasion of the annual meeting of the Royal Shipwreck Relief and Humane Society of New South Wales, on Monday night, the following awards, made by the society, will be presented by Lady Chelmsford:—

Robert D'Arcy Wentworth Towns: For rescuing a boy who had fallen from the wharf into Neutral Bay, on September 13 (certificate of merit).

Constable Sylvester James Conley: For stopping a pair of runaways attached to Lord and Lady Northcote's carriage, on September 8 (certificate of merit).

William Gordon: For stopping a runaway horse in George-street, on September 30 (certificate of merit).

Traffic-constable John McMahon: For stopping a pair of bolting horses attached to a lorry, on December 16 (certificate of merit).

Stephen Flanagan: For rescuing Arthur Radcliffe from the Myall River, on April 28 (certificate of merit).

Traffic-constable James Baker: For stopping a runaway in George-street West, on January 4 (certificate of merit).

John William Holding, Ernest William Oliver, Charles Henry Wilcox: For a heroic action at Little Reef, near Barranjoey, New South Wales, on July 29, 1908 (certificate of merit).

Constable Walter George Frazer: For stopping a runaway in Oxford-street, Bondi, on September 4, 1908 (certificate of merit).

Charles Edwin Hurlstone: For rescuing a passenger on the ferry steamer Kareela, who on December 22, 1908, jumped overboard (certificate of merit).

Traffic-constable Archibald David Kerr: For stopping a runaway in George-street, on August 30 (certificate of merit).

Constable William O'Reilly: For stopping a runaway in Arthur-street, Wellington (New South Wales), on June 20, 1908 (certificate of merit).

Constable William Ernest Jones: For stopping a runaway in George-street, near Harris-street, on August 10, 1908 (certificate of merit).

John James Clark and George Henry Clark: For gallant attempts to save a little boy who fell into the stormwater channel at Plattsburg, New South Wales, on July 29, 1908 (bronze medals and certificates of merit).

Arthur Edward Thomas: For rescuing a boy who, whilst bathing at Cronulla, on January 22, was carried out (bronze medal and certificate of merit).

Edward Byers: For rescuing a coal-lumper who was knocked overboard from the collier Herga into Johnstone's Bay, on May 25 (bronze medal and certificate of merit).

George Arthur Martin: For rescuing a man from drowning in the Lane Cove River, on May 3 (bronze medal and certificate of merit).

Thomas Tipping Evans: For stopping a runaway attached to a cart, in which were two small children, in Addison-road, Marrickville, on July 7 (bronze medal and certificate of merit).

James Thomas Limeburner: For rescuing a boy at Stockton Wharf, Newcastle, on June 30 (bronze medal and certificate of merit).

Mrs. Madeline Isabel Hendy-Pooley: For saving a little girl who was washed off the rocks near Mrs. Macquarie's chair, on November 28 (silver medal and certificate of merit).

Clarence Henry Croft: For saving a man from drowning near the ocean beach, Newcastle, on January 17 (silver medal and certificate of merit).

Henry Henry and William Henry Victor Thomas: For rescuing a boy from drowning in the Clarence River, near the wharf at Grafton, on April 18, 1908. (Henry Henry, silver medal and certificate of merit; William Henry Victor Thomas, bronze medal and certificate of merit).

George Whitfield Jenner: For rescuing a man from drowning, at Newcastle, on February 18 (silver medal and certificate of merit).

Robert Ashworth: For rescuing a young man from drowning, at Pambula, on February 28 (silver medal and certificate of merit).

Thomas Gunning: For rescuing a lady from drowning, at Manly, on the night of January 18 (silver medal and certificate of merit).

William Doherty: For rescuing a little boy from a burning house, 24 Ancrum-street, North Sydney, on June 8 (silver medal and certificate of merit).

Traffic-constable John Wallace Stewart: For stopping a runaway in George-street, opposite the New Markets, on September 25 (silver bar).

George Alfred Withers: For rescuing a lad from drowning, in the Clarence River, on November 9 (bronze medal and certificate of merit).

Cephus Herbert Taylor: For rescuing a lady from drowning, at Woolgoolga, on April 22 (silver medal and certificate of merit).

Carl Martin Brandelius: For rescuing a man from drowning, in the Hunter River, North Stockton, on the night of November 21 (bronze medal and certificate of merit).

Charles Arthur Robbins: For rescuing a man from drowning near the Union Company's wharf, Druitt-street, on July 7 (certificate of merit).

M'MAHON'S POINT TRAM.

A correspondent signing himself "Age Quod Agis" calls attention to the extraordinary delays that have occurred in the completion of the tramway from M'Mahon's Point to Crow's Nest. He points out that at the present time only six or eight men are working at the Crow's Nest end, Lane Cove-road, making the connection with the Gore Hill and Willoughby lines, while no men have been put on to link up the lines at the other four points where the new lines meet the old. It had been officially stated that the line would be open for traffic towards the end of July.

The officials at the Tramway Construction Department state that so far as their department is concerned the work will be out of hand at an early date, but time will be required afterwards by the Tramway Department electrical and traffic branches, which will make the date of the official opening quite a month from now.

The department does not attach any blame to the contractors for the delays, and their specified time has long since gone by, but the department had to supply them with rails and crossings, and these were not immediately available. Right through delays had been occasioned in getting material from the Fitzroy Dock. Much time went by also while negotiations were in progress with the Sydney Ferries, Limited, in respect to the acquirement of the land around the water frontages to M'Mahon's Point.

YARROWLUMLA SHIRE.

REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE.

A deputation from the Yarrowlumla Shire Council, introduced by Colonel Ryrie, M.L.A., asked the Minister for Works (Mr. Lee) for some assistance for the shire. It received a subsidy of only 9s in the £, while the adjoining shire received 15s in the £, though the land was similar. They had 504 miles of road to keep in order, and their expenditure exceeded their revenue by £1200.

Mr. Lee admitted their road mileage was large. As to their subsidy, he had given them a special advance in 1908. They had done admirable work, and their expenditure had been a wise one. These circumstances would be considered by the board which was to reclassify the shires. They should supply data upon which an increased subsidy might be granted. He was prepared to grant legitimate assistance if they showed him any urgent case, though not for general purposes. But he could not give anything like £1200. Let the council put a case to the Local Government Engineer, who would submit it to him.

HURSTVILLE SEWERAGE.

Mr. Parkes, M.L.A., yesterday introduced to the Minister for Works, Mr. Lee, a deputation from the Hurstville Council, which asked that the municipality be provided with a sewerage system. Hurstville, it was explained, had a population of over 8000, which was rapidly growing. Residents were packed closely together, and neither they nor the council could dispose of their sewage. They asked, first, that the Water and Sewerage Board might build a stormwater channel to a watercourse which ran into Chain Creek, and, second, that the whole question of sewerage for the district might be attended to. The stormwater channel would cost £170.

Mr. Lee said he would sanction the construction of the stormwater channel by the Water and Sewerage Board, provided the Hurstville Council concurred, on the terms on which such work was usually done in the other municipalities. The annual charge would be a very small one. And the sewage might be carried off in the stormwater channel for the present.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

In the return of infectious diseases for the week it is shown that there were more cases of diphtheria than of either typhoid or scarlet fever. The metropolitan combined districts claimed 46 patients, but there were no fatal results. In respect to typhoid there were two fatal cases in 16 reported, and in scarlet fever one fatal in 44 cases. For the State as a whole there were 29 cases of typhoid with five deaths; 90 cases of scarlet fever, with two deaths; and 107 cases of diphtheria, with four deaths. In the Sydney municipality there were six cases of typhoid, 10 cases of scarlet fever, and nine of diphtheria. In scarlet fever, Botany had six cases, and Cooma and Cootamundra five each. In diphtheria, there were six cases at Dorrigo, and four each at Penrith and St. Marys.

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SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA.

ELGAR'S NEW WORK.

To the Sydney Symphony Orchestra fell the honour of the first performance in Australia yesterday afternoon of Sir Edward Elgar's new "Symphony in A Flat." The keenest interest was taken in the event, and when Herr Slapoffski raised his baton above the professional band he had behind him an eager, expectant, and numerous audience. Though the stately music-chamber of the Town Hall held far fewer than the 3000 it comfortably seats, it yet appeared well filled. The new work with its noble opening theme revealed much that was beautiful, much that at a first hearing verged on the chaotic, and a multiplicity of themes quite dazzling in the rapidity of their succession. Undoubtedly a brilliant work, which enhances the reputation of the composer; less certainly a great work, when weighed against the reflection that many classic symphonies by the old masters have been far easier to understand.

England's present-day representative composer has by no means been lost sight of in Australia. The late J. A. Delany splendidly conducted his best oratorio "The Dream of Gerontius," as early as the end of 1903, a few months after its performance in the new Roman Catholic Cathedral at Westminster, and before any of the London choral societies had taken it in hand, which they did not do until 1904; Mr. Joseph Bradley conducted our Philharmonic Society in the cantata "Caractacus," with Andrew Black, the original creator thereof, in the name-part; the "Enigma Variations" have been rendered by full orchestra; the "Salut d'Amour" has been played and whistled in the streets; the orchestral overture "In the South," and the military marches "Pomp and Circumstance," the poetic "Sea Pictures," the song "Pipes of Pan" (with orchestra), and sundry part-songs for female choir, have been our portion from a list of opus numbers which have not yet reached three score. Melbourne, which may or may not have heard all these, has enjoyed the doubtful privilege of performing the later oratorio "The Apostles," which is understood to have fallen rather flat. "Gerontius" presented some inspired numbers, but portions of it were profoundly dull—more especially those alluded to in the learned Dr. Jaeger's critical "Apotheosis of Elgar" as "a burst of musical sunshine." At this far remove it is possible sometimes to see the picture better than those who are nearest to the canvas. After his first oratorio, the new composer was pronounced the equal of Handel, and his first symphony has led the same body of critics to place him in the same plane as Beethoven. Whether the new work will stand "as a legacy for future generations" is a question that lies absolutely "on the lap of the gods." It will be sufficient to say that it is tremendously clever, masterly in its orchestration, restless in its superabundance of thematic material, but altogether brilliant, and enjoyable by fits and starts.

Although the symphony is properly regarded as the most comprehensive form of pure instrumental music, in these latter days it is frequently moulded to the form of a tone-poem, or to meet such individual needs as more strictly belong to "programme" music. There is nothing, however, to indicate any desire on Elgar's part to avoid the stress that the classic conventions of the symphony bring in their train. The fact that so many writers state that "Elgar in A flat" illustrates "the phases of joy and sorrow, struggle and conquest, and especially the contrast between the ideal and the actual in life," merely points to a probability that the composer was persuaded to make some such admission, wrung from him in the press interviews which accompany every modern career, whether in politics or in art. One of the many charms of the work consists in the simple and definite melodic beauty of the opening theme—admirably realised by Herr Slapoffski and the players—to which the bass part adds an effect of measured dignity and purpose that reminds one of the old composers. After that everything is modern, the allegro being especially impassioned, with sudden contrasts, and discords of bodeful significance. A splendid crescendo that reached its climax, and then suddenly melted upon the plangent tones of the harp, suggested a favourite device of the Young Italy group, as in the overture to "Cavalleria Rusticana." The discords and harsh tone-combinations with the brass afflicted the ear at times, almost like the howls from Berlioz' pandemonium ("Faust"); but all these things are largely a matter of "becoming accustomed," and it must not be forgotten that 30 years ago many people failed to detect melody even in "Tannhauser"! The second movement, allegro molto, was properly alluded to in a long and informative programme note as practically a "scherzo," for which reason an occasional element of the grotesque intruded, whilst some delightful moments arose from a flute-duet upon a drone bass with pizzicato effects. The beautiful violin-theme in the adagio, with the exquisite weaving of the polyphonic web, proved entrancing, many shades of sentiment being revealed by the band, whilst the pianissimo at the close with muted violins and a final murmur from the clarionet marked out this movement as the central feature of the work. The lento and finale sustained the interest of the whole, in spite of certain spaces at which the listener murmured, "and the Earth was without form, and void"—and well as the orchestra played, it is not to be supposed that the interpretation was impeccable. It is recorded that at Leipsic last February Nikisch conducted this work in 46 minutes. Slapoffski took 56 yesterday. The conductor was warmly congratulated at the close, and the rest of the programme, which enabled Mme. Slapoffski to sing "Regnava nel Silenzio" with commanding power and melody of voice, and M. Henri Staell (leader) to play an andante and Tarantella by Wieniawski with charm, was thoroughly enjoyed.

LAKE MACQUARIE ENTRANCE.

TRAMWAY TO SWANSEA.

A deputation from the various progress bodies of the Lake Macquarie district was introduced yesterday by Mr. Charlton, M.L.A., to the Minister for Works, Mr. Lee. The deputation asked that the entrance to the lake might be deepened, and prevented from silting up. There was only 4ft 6in of water on the bar, and about 12ft was needed. The district would progress much faster if ships of sufficient draught to carry its products to Sydney could reach the lake. A great deal of timber was grown, and the land about was coal-bearing. A number of seams would be developed if the coal could be carried away in vessels, and trade would be opened up with all ports of Australasia. It was too far to the railway line for haulage. The channel from the lake to the sea was about three miles long, and part of the work had been done already. Thirty years ago many thousands had been spent in trying to improve the harbour, but by some blunder the work had been stopped.

The speakers included Messrs. Edden and Estell, Ms.L.A.

Mr. Lee said it was a most difficult problem. What they said about the coal-mining interests was correct. Between 1885 and 1903 £159,000 had been spent on the entrance, and gone for nothing. Nine feet of water was as much as could be got under any circumstances. A very great amount had been spent on the port of Newcastle. Would it not be better to lay down a line to Newcastle, and make use of that port. He could not recommend the large expenditure required to make another port within a few miles. Besides, if they did make it, there was no guarantee they could keep it open. That was the difficulty. But something could be done as regards the lake itself and the upper part of the channel, to make the passenger traffic easier, and he would do anything he could to assist it. It would be ten thousand pities to see the people shut out from so beautiful a sheet of water.

The deputation also asked that a railway or tramway should be built round the lake from Cockle Creek, so as to give communication between Belmont and Swansea and Newcastle. To this Mr. Lee replied that he had had the matter investigated, and a line, 7½ miles, long would cost £31,000. The Railway Commissioners estimated the annual loss at £1200; still, he had thought the line worth consideration. But the scheme proposed would cost more. He would refer the matter to the Public Works Committee, after a second deputation, which had been referred to, had been received.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

At the monthly meeting of the Local Government Association of New South Wales Mr. John Wheeler presided.

In reply to Enfield, which asked for the definition of a "fat extractor" in connection with noxious trades, it was decided that it meant a man who used his own waste. Peak Hill was informed that it could not legally abandon rates on mining tenements where the land had reverted to the Crown until one of the causes provided by regulation 50 arises. Coonamble was informed that it could refund rates on the showground which had been paid under protest. In reply to Guyra, it was stated that a sanitary contractor could be authorised by the council to collect his own fees. Jamberoo was informed:—(1) That it could sanction a gate on a road, but it must be a public gate under the Public Gates Act; and (2) that it could not obtain control of licensing public halls. Drummoyne asked whether it could refuse permission for the erection of a workshop to be used as a factory and blast furnace. The answer was that it could not refuse, provided the plans did not infringe on the building ordinances. An answer was directed to be sent to Katoomba, stating that a bylaw passed in 1906 fixing the day of meeting was rescinded by the Act.

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LAW REPORT.

HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA.

(Before the Chief Justice (Sir Samuel Griffith), Mr. Justice Barton, Mr. Justice O'Connor, and Mr. Justice Isaacs.

CANCELLED IMPROVEMENT LEASES.

Minister for Lands v Bank of New South Wales.

The judgment in this case, which was reserved, was now delivered.

The Chief Justice said the question for determination in this case depended upon the construction placed upon the Cancellation of Leases Act (No. 42 of 1906). The subject matter primarily was certain improvement leases. This improvement lease tenure was introduced by the Act of 1895, section 26. Before the passing of the Act of 1906 it was alleged that certain improvement leases had been improperly obtained. They might have been dealt with by suit, but this would have been expensive, and the result doubtful. A Royal Commission was issued to Mr. Justice Owen, and the Act under review provided a summary way of dealing with these lands. A lessee might have been innocent, or might be guilty, and if guilty there might be degrees of guilt or culpability; and the Act accordingly provided, first, for a temporary condition of tenure. The leases were cancelled by section 3, and on such cancellation or forfeiture the former lessee became the holder of a preferential occupation license therein, and it was enacted that such land should be reserved from sale or lease until the reservation was revoked by notice in the "Gazette." The terms used in the section were quite unintelligible without reference to some other Act. The same section contained a provision that within 60 days from cancellation the former lessee might make a fresh application for an improvement lease or some other kind of lease. Section 4 of the Act provided a special board of three persons, one of whom should be a Judge of the Supreme Court, to inquire whether any part of the land should be leased on improvement lease or other specified tenure, and to define the terms of the lease. It was obvious that the whole of these sections were unintelligible of themselves, and reference must be made to other and earlier Acts. His Honor then examined the various Acts bearing on the subject, beginning with the Act of 1884, section 81, the Act of 1889, sections 33 and others, and the Act of 1895. As to the meaning of the word reservation, the Acts showed that the lands comprised in a reservation were reserved from sale or lease generally until such reservation was revoked. Some reservations under the general law were to be temporary and revocable automatically by the Minister, while others were only to be revocable by the Governor. It was clear from the Acts that the tenant was to have all the rights of holders of preferential occupation licenses, and the reservation was to be by notification by the Governor, under section 46 of the Act of 1889, and not by the Minister. It appeared to his Honor clear that it was not intended by the Act of 1906 to create a new kind of reservation or of revocation. In ordinary respects, the law was to apply, except as altered by the Act. Section 4 of the Act of 1906 stated in what respects the general law was to be altered in its application to these persons. In effect, it gave them additional privileges. The Reserves Declaratory Act made an important modification in the law relating to revocation, because it provided in effect that land held under occupation license was land reserved from sale or lease until the expiration of 60 days' notice before it could be affected, and in the case of land held in occupation for pastoral purposes, it was understandable that time should be allowed the lessee in which to remove his stock and make other provision for it. It followed, in his Honor's opinion, that when land had been reserved automatically under the Act of 1906 it became reserved under the general law, and one of the incidents of that law was that it could not be made available for sale until the expiration of 60 days from the revocation. In the present case, applications for the land were made within 60 days of the revocation of the reservation; therefore, the decision of the Supreme Court was correct, and the appeal should be dismissed.

Mr. Justice Barton, Mr. Justice O'Connor, and Mr. Justice Isaacs, in separate judgments, concurred, and the appeal was, therefore, dismissed with costs.

A STREET RAILWAY.

Newcastle Municipality v A.A. Company.

Mr. J. L. Campbell, instructed by Messrs. Andrews, Moseley, and Manning (for Messrs. W. J. Brown and Mitchell, of Newcastle, appeared for the defendant company (the Australian Agricultural Company), and moved for leave to appeal from a decision of the Supreme Court of New South Wales, on a motion to make absolute a rule nisi to enter a verdict for the defendant or for a nonsuit. The Newcastle Municipality made a claim upon the company for £50, as a rental charge upon certain rails laid along the streets from its colliery, and certain facts were admitted on each side, and a verdict was formally entered for the plaintiff municipality, with leave reserved to move the Supreme Court to enter a nonsuit or a verdict for the defendant company. The Supreme Court discharged the rule nisi with costs, and the defendant sought leave to appeal on several grounds.

Leave granted.

(Before the Chief Justice, Sir Samuel Griffith, Mr. Justice Barton, and Mr. Justice Isaacs).

BELLAMBI COAL COMPANY, Ltd., v MURRAY.

Argument was concluded and judgment reserved.

STATE SUPREME COURT.

IN BANCO.

(Before the Acting Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Cohen, and Mr. Justice Sly.)

ADMISSION TO THE BAR.

On the motion of Mr. S. A. Thompson, Mr. Edmund Harvie Thompson, B.A., LL.B., of the Sydney University, was admitted to the Bar of New South Wales.

ASSESSMENT OF STAMP DUTY.

APPEAL TO THE PRIVY COUNCIL.

Re Broken Hill South Extended, Ltd., and the Commissioner for Stamps.

Mr. Rich, instructed by the Crown Solicitor (Mr. J. V. Tillett), appeared for the Commissioner for Stamps, and moved for leave to appeal to the Privy Council from the judgment of the Court on July 30 last. The question involved was one upon an assessment made by the Commissioner for Stamps on property transferred in the shape of shares to the Broken Hill South Extended, Ltd., from the old company. The Commissioner fixed that assessment at £1579 on the face value of the shares, whereas the company contended that he should have assessed on the market value at the time of transfer. They tendered evidence in proof of the market value of the shares, but the Commissioner declined to accept it as a correct guide to his assessment. The Court held that he had proceeded upon a wrong principle, and should have received the evidence. By consent the matter was then referred to Mr. Justice Cohen to take evidence on behalf of the Court, and to fix the correct assessment. The Commissioner for Stamps now desired to appeal to the Privy Council.

Mr. J. L. Campbell, instructed by Messrs. Pigott and Stinson (agent for Mr. J. R. Edwards, of Broken Hill), appeared for the Broken Hill South Extended, Ltd., to oppose the application on the ground that the Court had not determined in any sense what was the correct amount of assessment, and that the matter had still to be determined by Mr. Justice Cohen.

The Acting Chief Justice: If there has been a final judgment, the Commissioner has a right to appeal, but if it is only an interlocutory judgment, he must come to the Court and obtain leave.

Mr. Campbell contended that the matter at present was purely academic, and only one step in the proceedings had been taken. It was not even an interlocutory matter, but merely one in suspense, pending the decision of Mr. Justice Cohen.

The Court, after hearing further argument, granted leave to appeal, on the usual security being given, and allowed a stay of proceedings pending the hearing of the appeal.

DISPUTED OWNERSHIP.

Heaton v Dengate and another.

Mr. Loxton and Mr. J. A. Ferguson, instructed by Mr. W. J. Cragg, of Singleton (by his agents, Messrs. Gould and Shaw), appeared for the plaintiff, and moved to make absolute a rule nisi to set aside the verdict found for the defendants and enter it for the plaintiff, or for a new trial. Mr. Ralston, K.C., and Mr. W. A. Parker, instructed by Messrs. A. J. Taylor and Greenwell, appeared for the defendants in support of the verdict. The action, which was tried before Mr. Justice Pring and a jury of four in June last, was brought by Ann Heaton, daughter and surviving administratrix of the estate of Julia Sleath, deceased, to recover possession from the defendants, Owen Dengate and another, of a farm known as "Sleath's Flat," situated about 12 miles from Morpeth. The plaintiff's title was a possessory one, and she alleged that there was no documentary title in the defendant Dengate, and that the conveyance of April 10, 1906, from Bourke and Tierney, upon which he relied, was void at common law under the Act 32, Henry 8, chapter 9. Defendants on the other hand contended that the late Julia Sleath had no documentary title, and that the sole title set up was a suggested possessory title from 1867 onward, which was not established. The jury returned a verdict for the defendants, and found specially in answer to a question by his Honor that neither Thomas Sleath nor Julia Sleath obtained title to the land by virtue of the Statute of Limitations. Plaintiff now appealed.

The case stands part heard.

IN EQUITY.

(Before Mr. Justice Street.)

IRVING v EMU AND PROSPECT GRAVEL AND ROAD METAL COMPANY, LTD.

The evidence is still unfinished. It was arranged that his Honor should proceed to Penrith on Saturday to view the locality.

INDUSTRIAL COURT.

(Before Judge Heydon.)

THE BUTCHERS' AWARD.

SUMMONS FOR PENALTY.

Benjamin Lloyd, secretary of the Butchers' Shop Employees' Union of New South Wales, proceeded against John Wilkinson, trading as H. Wilkinson, butcher, of Nelson-street, Plattsburg, for an alleged breach of the award of February 24 last, in having worked an employee named Michael Joseph Kelly after the closing time prescribed, viz., 5.30 p.m.

The main defence was that respondent was ill in bed at the time of the alleged breach, and knew nothing about the man having worked after half-past 5.

Mr. Holman, instructed by Messrs. Beeby and Moffatt, appeared for the prosecution; and Mr. F. A. A. Russell, instructed by Mr. A. P. Sparke, agent for Messrs. Sparke and Millard, of Newcastle, for the respondent.

The cast stands part heard.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

(Before the Registrar.)

SINGLE MEETING.

Re Frank Egerton Cutler. After examination by the official assignee the meeting was closed, and examination concluded.

PUBLIC EXAMINATION.

Re Frank Miles. Bankrupt did not appear, and accounts were not filed. Matter was adjourned till September 2.

CREDITORS' PETITION.

Australian Rider-Ericsson Engine Company, Pitt-street, v Charles Wymer, of Deniliquin, agent. Date of hearing August 30.

LAND APPEAL COURT.

(Before Mr. H. A. G. Curry, president, and Messrs. C. Brandis and W. Houston, members).

Mr. Hanbury Davies appeared on behalf of the Minister for Lands.

C. Binnie appealed against the appraised annual rental of conditional lease No. 19,472, Murrurundi. This was taken as a test case, and the decision upon it would govern 11 other cases. Mr. Pike appeared for the appellant. After some arguments,

The President said a point had been raised in this case which turned upon the contention that it was not until May, 1909, the local land board, or the chairman of such board, received the Minister's reference, which was made in 1906. Before deciding the case the Court would remit the case to the board for evidence as to (1) whom the Minister's reference was forwarded in 1906; (2) upon what date did the board or chairman of the board first receive the reference; (3) if not received by the board or chairman until 1909, who did receive it on the first occasion, and in what position did he as a matter of fact stand to the board or chairman of the board. The evidence to be forwarded to the Court.

An appeal by P. D. O'Neil against the finding of the Cooma Land Board in respect of his conditional purchase, No. 1903-74, and conditional lease No. 34,460, was dismissed. Appellant did not appear.

W. J. Rice appealed against the refusal of his application under the Pastures Protection Act of 1902, for permission to erect rabbit-proof fencing with gates across certain roads in the parishes of Wallandoon and Ross, in the Urana land district. Mr. Pike appeared for the appellant; Mr. Canaway, instructed by Mr. J. J. Kiely (agent for Mr. P. W. M'Carthy), for the Lockhart Shire Council; and Mr. Fosbery for the objectors.

The case stands part heard.

DISTRICT COURT.

(Before Judge Backhouse.)

WATER AND SEWERAGE BOARD SUED.

William O'Brien, of Kingston-road, Camperdown, contractor, sued the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board on several counts for breaches of certain contract agreements.

Mr. O'Reilly, instructed by Mr. J. J. Carroll, appeared for the plaintiff; Mr. Garland, instructed by Mr. H. S. Williams, for the Board.

The plaintiff's case was that he was the successful tenderer for two contracts. One was the supply and delivery to the Board at such places and depots within the metropolitan district of various building and road material in such quantities as might be requested by the Board. The other was for carrying out such excavations and work as might be required in pipe-laying. It was claimed that in respect to the first-mentioned, the Board had ordered 500 tons of blue metal and 50 tons of screenings from other persons, and took delivery near Guildford. This, plaintiff asserted, was within the metropolitan district, and under the specifications the Board was bound to give him the order for all the material. The claim on this was for damages £214 19s, for not ordering from plaintiff 556 tons of blue metal and screenings. On the second claim, payment was asked of £17 12s 9d, balance due for excavating 168 yards of 20in main, at 12s per yard, blasting having been prohibited, as it would have caused damage to an adjacent main. The inspector, who ordered the blasting to stop, was stated to have assented to gadding work being paid for. The remainder of the claim under this count was £8 8s in respect to cartage and goods sold and delivered; and 10s 6d for a hydrant lost in transit on the railway—altogether £241 10s 3d.

The defence was that the Board was not bound to order from plaintiff as asserted in the first count, and reliance was placed on the specifications in respect to the others—with the exception of the matter of the hydrant.

A verdict was given for the defendant.

DISPUTE AT GREENWICH.

Judgment was delivered in the case in which James Raymond, of Greenwich, sued Herbert A. Jones and B. W. Mansell, of Druitt-street, Sydney, trading as the Patent Asphaltum Company of New South Wales, for alleged trespass. The claim was set down at £66.

Mr. Windeyer, instructed by Mr. W. A. Windeyer, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Blacket, instructed by Messrs. Mark Mitchell and Forsyth, for the defendants.

His Honor said that he considered the defendant to have been a consenting party to the readjustment of the boundaries of the lease in 1907. It had been said that the smoke from the works rendered the plaintiff's house uncomfortable, but it was perfectly clear that up to the time of the filing of the plaint there had been no nuisance, for, till that time, there had been very little done at the works. On the whole he found a verdict for the defendants. There might be cause for action in respect to the loss of water frontage by the plaintiff, but he advised the parties to come to an agreement in the matter.

CONTRACT DISPUTE.

Mrs. Lillie Elizabeth Patrick, of Jones-street, Ultimo, sued Aushelm Laurin, of Manly, for alleged breach of contract, and claimed £200.

Mr. Curtis, instructed by Mr. T. Arkins, appeared for the plaintiff; Mr. Sheridan, instructed by Messrs. M'Evilly and M'Evilly, for the defendant.

The plaintiff claimed that she agreed with the defendant, the lessee of two adjoining shops on the Corso at Manly, in one of which he carried on business under the name of the Pacific Tea-rooms, to purchase the goodwill, furniture, and stock-in-trade of the tea-rooms for £195. One of the conditions was that he should not conduct a similar business within a radius of 15 miles of the Manly post-office during the currency of her lease. Also, he was not to let the other shop for a business of a similar character. He had, however, it was alleged, broken the second part of the agreement, and in consequence plaintiff suffered great loss of trade. A stipulation in the agreement was that for any breach of the agreement defendant should be subject to a penalty of £100.

The defence was a denial of any breach of the agreement. The second shop had been let to a tenant whose business was in ham and beef, live poultry, etc.

QUARTER SESSIONS.

(Before Judge Murray and juries.)

Mr. Herbert Harris, Crown Prosecutor.

CHARGE OF PERJURY.

John George Rogers, who was defended by Mr. J. W. Abigail, pleaded not guilty to a charge of committing perjury at the Children's Court, at Paddington, on March 31 last. The perjury alleged was that accused swore, during the hearing of an affiliation case, in which he was defendant, that he had not written two letters which were sworn to be in his handwriting. Those letters were material to the issue then being tried.

Accused gave evidence, and stated that he could not write a letter unless he was told how to spell the words, as he had never been to school.

The jury not being able to agree was locked up for the night.

CHARGE OF STEALING.

Thomas Brown pleaded not guilty to a charge of stealing three bags, two cheques, and money to the amount of £53 8s 4d, at Sydney, on May 13, the property of Bridget Haydon. According to the Crown case, the articles were stolen from the Royal Hotel, at the corner of Abercrombie-street and Codrington-street, Redfern. The money was taken from a drawer in the bar while the daughter of the proprietress of the hotel was absent attending to a telephone message.

The jury found the accused guilty, and he was sentenced to 18 months' hard labour in Goulburn gaol.

LAW NOTICES.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 20.

HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA.

At 10.30 a.m.—For hearing, Ray and another v Davies, Baxter v the Clickers' Association of New South Wales and others.

SUPREME COURT.

Term List.—Motions on notice: Murdoch v the Tonalli Silver and Lead Mining Company (No Liability), to set aside order; in re Frederick Stanley and the Examiner of Titles and in the matter of the Real Property Act, to uphold grounds for refusal to proceed. Motion: Ex parte Nathaniel Levy, prohibition. Special cases: In re Tooth and Co., Limited, and Stamp Duties Acts, Commissioner for Stamps respondent; in re Frederick Stanley (appellant), the Examiner of Titles (respondent) and the Real Property Act. Demurrer: Goldschmidt v Macdonald.

Prothonotary's Office.—Before the Prothonotary: In re gent., one, etc., ex parte Brown, 11 a.m.; Curran v Taylor, 2.15 p.m.; same v same, 2.30 p.m.

Before the Chief Clerk.—At 10.15 a.m.: Wallbridge v Wallbridge, Mahony v Mahony. At 10.20 a.m.: Gillard v Gillard, Connabeer v Connabeer. At 10.25 a.m.: Mitchell v Mitchell, Smith v Smith.

Chamber List.—At 9.30 a.m.: 1. Ex parte Pile, re the Married Women's Property Act, for payment of moneys. 2. McPherson v Bourke, special case. 3. Ex parte Smith, re the Married Women's Property Act, for delivery up of deeds. 4. MacKay v Bacon, to strike out or amend plea. 5. Banks v Williams, for inspection and postponement of trial.

In Equity.—Before the Chief Judge in Equity.—At 10 a.m.: Motions generally, Jack v Asher, motion to continue injunction; Gill v Gill, part heard; re will of J. Marceau and Trustee Act, motion to appoint new trustee; Ore Concentration Co., Ltd., v Sulphide Corporation, Ltd., summons for further time to file statement of defence; Higgin v Higgin, originating summons; Milgate v Playford, motion for decree; Matthews v Matthews, motion to strike out appearance; Charlton v Murray, motion for decree; Cameron v M'Dousll, originating summons; re E. Cramp and Convg. Act, petition for sale; Mackay v Gordon, motion for decree; Manning v Russell, motion to determine points of law.

Before Mr. Justice Street.—No. 1 Jury Court.—At 10 a.m.: Irving v Emu and Prospect Gravel Co., Ltd., part heard.

Before the Master in Equity.—At 12 noon: Norman v Blackwood, to settle draft certificate, at 12.15 p.m.; re M'Phillamy, deceased, to fix security on appeal; at 12.30 p.m., Kimber v O'Loughlin and others, to settle minutes of decree; at 12.45 p.m., Municipal Council of Sydney and G. Head, to settle minutes of order; at 2 p.m., re M. Carroll and Convg. Act, to settle minutes of order.

Before the Deputy Registrar.—At 11.30 a.m.: Re J. S. M'Phillamy, deceased, to settle minutes of order; at 12 noon, Tooth and Co. v Hinsch, to tax costs; at 2.15 p.m., Sydney Real Estate Bank, Ltd., to settle minutes of order; at 2.30 p.m., Farmers' and Settlers' Co-operative Society, Ltd., to tax costs.

Probate Jurisdiction.—The following accounts will be taken at the Probate office:—Archibald M. Cameron, 10.15; Thomas M'Namee, 10.30; Robert Maddrell, 11; Annie Walsh, 11.30; Thomas Bryant, 12.

In Bankruptcy.—Before the Registrar.—At 10 a.m.: Confirmation of accounts and plans, audit of accounts and plans. Before the Chief Clerk.—At 10.30 a.m.: Taxation of debtors' costs, Maurice David Roche. At 11 a.m.: Taxation of Official Assignee's costs, James Nixon Brunker.

INDUSTRIAL COURT.

Probate Court, Queen's-square.—Before his Honor Judge Heydon.—At 10 a.m.: Summonses for penalty, to be mentioned and adjourned, Morrish v Laurence (seven cases), Loyd v Garrick, same v News, same v Wilkinson (A. J.). For hearing: Loyd v Wilkinson, part heard; re Engineers' award, by claimant union for substitution of "Hartley" for "Lithgow" in common rule.

Industrial Registrar's Office, Queen's-square.—Before the Industrial Registrar.—At 11.30 a.m.—For hearing: Re shop assistants' award, appeal under clause 9, by Miss Fyall.

Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act, District Registry, Queen's-square, Sydney.—Before the Deputy Industrial Registrar.—At 2 p.m.—For hearing: Australasian Society of Engineers, application for registration, Amalgamated Society of Engineers objectors (part heard).

DISTRICT COURT.

Before his Honor Judge Backhouse.—At 10 a.m.: Examination of judgment debtors (in Chambers in No. 2 Court): Morris v Wells, The New South Wales Mont de Piete Deposit and Investment Company, Ltd., v Wall, The Farmers and Settlers' Publishing Company, Ltd., v Cumming, Swann v Burleigh Jackson v Barry, Macfie v Newton, Halloran v Withey. Motions generally (in No. 1 Court): David Jones, Ltd., v Healey, Jackson v Butler and another, Middlebrook v Opit, Atkinhead v Higgins and another, Best v Cunningham, M'Naught v Stenning, Foley and others v Laport.

SYDNEY QUARTER SESSIONS.

Harold Naismith, robbery; Edward Herbert Rose, false pretences; Frederick Whitwell, demanding money with menaces; George Kirby, stealing.

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"REASONABLE SUSPICION."

LEGAL MEANING QUESTIONED.

THOUSANDS OF ILLEGAL CONVICTIONS POSSIBLE.

An interesting point was yesterday raised during the consideration of a case at the Paddington Police Court, bearing on the interpretation of the words "reasonably suspected of being stolen." Incidentally it was suggested that many people might possibly have been illegally imprisoned, both in this State and Victoria, on the wrong construction placed upon the term.

Mr. Barnett, S.M., had reserved his decision in the case of Walter Jarvis, who had been charged on the previous week with having a ring in his possession which might reasonably be suspected of having been stolen. The magistrate had postponed his decision owing to a judgment of the High Court, which he wished to further consider.

Mr. Wallace, who appeared for the defendant, cited a case heard at the Victorian General Sessions, before Judge Box. The case was Williams (appellant) and McCarthy (respondent), the section under which the charge was made being identical with section 27 of the Police Offences Act of this State. The facts were that Constable McCarthy arrested Williams, whom he saw carrying a parcel of cigarettes under his arm. Williams, on being questioned by the constable, failed to satisfy the officer. He was thereupon charged with having goods reasonably suspected of having been stolen in his permission. He was convicted, and appealed, and the point was raised that there being no evidence of larceny before the arrest the constable could not have known that there had been theft. The appeal was upheld. Judge Box said that it appeared to him that the constable had no knowledge at the time of the arrest that the cigarettes had been stolen. His Honor ruled that some meaning must be given to the words "reasonably suspected of being stolen."

It was contended by Mr. Wallace that at the Sydney Quarter Sessions a Judge had acted on the case cited. Were it otherwise, he continued, an enormous power would be placed in the hands of irresponsible persons. There must be reasonable grounds for suspicion. Legislation never contemplated that anybody could arrest another person for being in possession of property reasonably suspected of having been stolen simply because such a suspicion was in his own mind.

Mr. Barnett: Then, suppose you found a newsboy with a 100-guinea ring under his coat, you have no right to suspect him, according to the Judge's ruling?

Mr. Wallace: The boy might have picked it up in the street. One need not jump at conclusions.

Mr. Barnett: If the boy said he bought it from John Smith, would not that be justifiable grounds for arrest? If the Victorian case were the law, how many people in New South Wales and Victoria have been illegally charged, and imprisoned during the last 50 years?

Mr. Wallace thought there must have been a thousand.

The magistrate, continuing, said the present case was an everyday one. He would like to know the name of the Judge referred to by Mr. Wallace, who acted on the Victorian Judge's ruling at the Sydney Quarter Sessions.

Mr. Wallace: I think it was Judge Scholes.

Mr. Barnett said he would like to know, because if a mistake had been made it was a serious thing. "I admit," he continued, "that this is a section under which a mistake might easily be made." He would prefer following the case of one of the New South Wales Courts to an extra-territorial one.

The case was therefore adjourned.

ECZEMA FROM INFANCY.

"At the age of three months I first commenced to suffer from eczema, which started on the forehead as a red patch. Various remedies were tried, but without success. I then commenced treating according to the doctor's orders, but not much good was done. After a few months of this, the disease began to spread all over my face, and my parents tell me that at this stage my eyes were like looking into two holes, as the spots were so bad.

"This trouble went on until I was eight years old. At that age my parents decided to give the Cuticura Remedies a trial. When they were first used the condition I was in must have been extra bad, as they tell me they had to peel my shirt from my back, as it used to stick to the sores. My legs were a solid mass of eczema from the inside to the calf. My stockings used to stick every day, and they had to be pulled off along with the spots. I had to wear gloves to keep me from scratching the sores. The first night Cuticura was used I slept all night, which was a thing I had not done for some time. An improvement could be seen immediately, and after using three sets of Cuticura Soap, Ointment, and Resolvent I was practically cured. Cuticura Soap was continued for about twelve months, when I was quite free, and my skin clear again. This is twenty years ago now, and I have never suffered since. George A. Gibson, 35 Newton, Dalton on Furness, Lancs., Eng., Aug. 14, 1908."
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MARRIAGES.

GREY—FLETCHER.—August 7, at St. Matthew's, Manly, by Rev. A. G. Stoddart, C. Grey to Blanche Fletcher.

SILVER WEDDINGS.

COURTNEY—MAGNUS.—August 19, 1884, at Saint Mathias' Church, Paddington, by Rev. Zacchary Barry, William Courtney, eldest son of the late William Courtney, and grandson of Daniel Courtney, Passage, Cork, Ireland, to Hannah Magnus, eldest daughter of the late Lazarus Magnus, of Camperdown. Present address: 23 Cleveland-street, Redfern.

JACKSON—BUNKER.—August 20, 1884, at St. John's Church, Camden, N. S. Wales, by the Rev. J. Moran, John Andrew Jackson, of Brownlow Hill, Camden, to Ruth Bunker, fourth daughter of Ebenezer Bunker, of Menangle, N. S. Wales. Present address, Chatswood.

GOLDEN WEDDINGS.

HERRINGTON—STEADMANS.—August 20, 1859, at Holy Trinity, Berrima, by Rev. James Hassale, James Herrington, to Sarah Ann Steadmans. Present address: Thomas-street, Parramatta.

DEATHS.

BAUMANN.—At his residence, 7 Queen's-avenue, Rushcutter Bay, William George Baumann, aged 48 years.

FISCHER.—August 19, at his late residence, 215 George-street North, Isaac Fischer, beloved husband of Hannah Fischer, and beloved father of Leslie, Percy (Pat), Bessie, and Horace Fischer, aged 71. By request, no flowers. (Minyon at 8 p.m.)

HORNE.—August 19, 1909, at Coolgardie, W.A., Rebecca, the dearly loved wife of Sergeant A. Horne, late of Sydney, and beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Johnson, Petersham.

JOHNSTON.—August 17, 1909, at his residence, Tasma, 36 Thomas-street, Lewisham, Charles, the dearly-loved husband of Mary Ann Johnston, aged 80 years; formerly of County Tyrone, North Ireland. At rest.

LEVY.—August 19, at his residence, 25 Regent-street, Paddington, Lawrence Levy, aged 71. Beloved husband of Charlotte, and beloved father of Percy and Leslie. Minyon, Sunday night only.

MARTIN.—August 18, at his country residence, Bryntysilio, Llangollen, North Wales, Sir Theodore Martin, K.C.B., K.C.V.O., in his 93rd year, beloved uncle of James Martin Macadam, of Bryntysilio, Kurraba-road, Neutral Bay. By cable.

McGLEW.—August 16, at her father's residence, Conholm, King-street, Unley, Adelaide, South Australia, Isabell, daughter of C. S. and E. A. McGlew, late of Sydney.

REID.—At his grandfather's residence, Smithfield, James Albert George Reid, son of Clara and the late George F. J. Reid, and grandson of Mrs. James Reid, The Avenue, Hurstville, aged two years four months.

SCARR.—August 19, at her residence, Scotia, Shadforth-street, Mosman, Susie, beloved wife of Percy Scarr.

WARD.—August 15, at her late residence, North Cobar, Margaret Mary, the dearly beloved wife of Patrick Ward, aged 40 years.

IN MEMORIAM.

ADAMS.—In sad and loving memory of my dear husband, Thomas Galliers Adams, who departed this life, at his residence, Eden-street, Arncliffe, August 20, 1904. Inserted by his loving wife.

ADAMS.—In sad and loving memory of our dear father, Thomas Galliers Adams, who departed this life, at his residence, Eden-street, Arncliffe, August 20, 1904. Inserted by his loving sons and daughters.

BARLOW.—In sad and loving remembrance of my dear husband, Ernest Alfried Barlow, who was accidentally killed at Belmore on August 20, 1908, aged 35 years.

It seems but a day since he bade us good-bye,
His heart full of hope and his spirits so high;
How little we thought, when he left us that day,
The grim hand of death would soon tear him away.
So gentle and kind, how we miss his dear face,
Tho' asleep in his Saviour, where grief is unknown,
In sorrow and tears are his loved ones at home.

Inserted by his loving wife, Mary Barlow.

BARLOW.—A tribute of love to the memory of our dearly-beloved father, Ernest Alfried Barlow, who was accidentally killed at Belmore on August 20, 1908.

Farewell, dear father, thy days are past,
You loved us whilst your life did last;
You always strove to do your best,
Now you have gone to take your rest.

Inserted by his ever-sorrowing sons, Alfried and James Barlow.

BARLOW.—In loving memory of my dear son-in-law, Ernest Alfried Barlow, who was accidentally killed August 20, 1908. Inserted by his mother-in-law, K. Derome.

You are not forgotten, Ernest dear,
Nor will you ever be;
As long as life and memory last
I will remember thee.

BARLOW.—In loving memory of my dear brother-in-law, Ernest Alfried Barlow, who was accidentally killed 20th August, 1908. Inserted by his brother-in-law, S. Derome.

Yet again I hope to meet you
When the day of life is fled,
And with joy in heaven to greet you,
Where no farewell tears are shed.

COLBORNE.—In affectionate remembrance of my dear sister, Eleanor Colborne, who died August 20, 1908. Albert Edward Bennett.

DUNSHEA.—In ever-loving memory of my dear husband and our dear father, who departed this life August 20, 1908, 289 Lane Cove-road, North Sydney. Gone, but not forgotten. Inserted by his loving wife and children, Emy, Dora, Grace, and Victor.

DUNSHEA.—In ever-loving memory of our dear father, who departed this life August 20, 1908. At rest. Inserted by his loving daughter and son-in-law, Samuel and Frances Lee.

EVANS.—In loving memory of our dear father, William Ellis Evans, who died at his residence, 101 Wellington-street, Waterloo, August 20, 1890, aged 65 years. Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord. Inserted by his loving daughters, Jane, Ellen Evans, and Mrs. Alice L. Parkinson.

EVANS.—In sad but affectionate memory of our dearly beloved mother, Sarah Evans, who departed this life August 20, 1902, aged 80 years. Inserted by her loving daughter and son-in-law, Harriett and Thomas Lockwood, and grandchildren, Sidney, Harold, and Sarah.

GEORGE.—In loving memory of my dear mother and grandmother, Catherine George, who departed this life August 20, age 73 years.

Only a step removed; we soon shall meet again
Our own, our dearly loved, around the Saviour's feet.

Inserted by her loving daughter and granddaughter, Annie McAnally and Isabella Matthews.

GOLDSWORTHY.—In loving memory of our dear father, Alfred Goldsworthy, who departed this life August 20th, 1907. Inserted by his loving children, Harold, Bert, Minnie, Lizzie, Jack, Alice, Tom, and Hilder.

GRIFFIN.—In loving memory of our dear brother, Sergeant Willie Griffin, D Company, 2nd Infantry Regiment, who died at his parents' residence, 78 Alice-street, Newtown, August the 20th, 1895, aged 27 years. Inserted by his sisters, Ellen Hoffmann and Gertrude Coubrough.

GRONOW.—In loving memory of my dear husband, John Gronow, who departed this life on the 20th August, 1907. Gone, but not forgotten. Inserted by his loving wife, Elizabeth Gronow. Home papers please copy.

KELLY.—In loving memory of Mary Jane Kelly, who died August 20, 1906. Inserted by her loving husband, Patrick Kelly.

KELLY.—In loving memory of Mary Jane Kelly, who died August 20, 1906. Inserted by her loving father and mother, Michael and Isabel Ledden.

KELLY.—In loving memory of our dear sister, Mary Jane, who died at North Sydney, August 20, 1906. Inserted by her loving sister and brother-in-law, Julia and Leonard Winterbottom.

LE BRESE.—In loving remembrance of my dearly beloved mother, Ellen Le Brese, who departed this life August 20, 1907.

The end came sudden, mother dear;
It made us weep and sigh.
But oh, it was so hard to think
We could not say good-bye.

Inserted by her loving son and daughter-in-law, Eliza and Thos. H. C. Rowan, and grand-children, Eliza, Queenie, Olive Rowan.

LEDDEN.—In loving memory of our dear sister, Mary Jane, who departed this life August 20th, 1906. Inserted by her loving brother and sister-in-law, William and Annie Ledden, also nieces, Alice and Reta, and nephews, William and Henry. R.I.P.

MACKENZIE.—In loving remembrance of my dear mother, Louisa Mackenzie (nee Smith), late of Wollongong, who died August 20, 1903, aged 87 years 8 months. Still loved. Inserted by her daughter, M. A. Swain, Victoria-avenue, Chatswood.

McINERNEY.—In sad but loving memory of Alfred John McInerney, who was drowned August 20th, 1908. Inserted by his widow and children.

McINERNEY.—In sad and loving memory of my dear and only son, Alfred John McInerney, accidentally drowned at South Head, August 20th, 1908. Inserted by his sorrowing mother.

McINERNEY.—In loving remembrance of my dear brother-in-law, Alfred John McInerney, who was drowned August 20th, 1908. Inserted by K. C. Bourke.

McINERNEY.—In loving memory of our dear cousin, Alf. McInerney, who lost his life on 20th August, 1908, whilst viewing the American fleet. Inserted by his loving cousins, Mr. and Mrs. John Negus.

MITCHELL.—In fond and loving memory of our dear son and brother, Walter, who passed away on August 20th, 1901, at 50 University-street, Camperdown. Inserted by his loving parents, brothers, and sisters.

MORRIS.—In loving memory of my dear wife, Jessie Morris, who departed this life on August 20, 1907. Inserted by her loving husband, J. Morris.

MUNDAY.—In fond and loving memory of my dear wife, Louisa Elizabeth, who departed this life at Parramatta, August 20, 1901, aged 55 years. Inserted by her loving husband, James A. Munday.

MUNDAY.—In sad and fond remembrance of our dear mother, Louisa Elizabeth, who departed this life at Parramatta, August 20, 1901, aged 55 years. Inserted by her loving daughters, Eliza Louie, Sophy, and Carry.

We cannot, Lord, Thy purpose see,
But all is well that's done by Thee.
But her loving face we can't forget,
And her gentle voice we hear it yet.

MUNDAY.—In ever-loving memory of our dear mother, Louisa Elizabeth, who departed this life August 20, 1901, at Parramatta, aged 55 years. Inserted by her loving sons, Edward and Percy.

POW.—In loving memory of my dear husband, William, who departed this life August 20, 1908.

Rest, dearest Willie, thy toil is over,
Thy loving hands shall toil no more;
Death came in pity, came and bid
The long years of strife be o'er.

Inserted by his loving wife, May.

SMITH.—In loving memory of my dear wife and our darling mother and grandmother, Caroline Smith, who departed this life on August 20, 1907.

As true a heart as ever beat
Has passed away from earth;
But memory dwells within the hearts
Of those who knew her worth.

Inserted by her loving husband, daughter, son-in-law, and grandchildren.

SPENCE.—In sad but loving memory of my dear husband and our loving father, George Spence, who passed away at Kogarah Hospital, August 20th, 1907. Never forgotten by his loving wife and family.

SPENCE.—In fond memory of our dear grandfather, George Spence, who passed away at Kogarah Hospital, August 20th, 1907. Never forgotten by his dear little grandchildren, Gwen and Essie Davies.

STEPHENS.—In loving memory of my dear husband and our dear father, who died August 20th, 1908. Inserted by his loving wife and family, Harriet Stephens. Lost, but to memory dear.

TRAVERS.—In loving memory of my dear wife and our mother, Amelia Travers, who departed this life August 20, 1907.

Two years have passed, and still we miss you.
Friends may think the wound is healed,
But they little know the sorrow
Deep within our hearts concealed.

Inserted by her loving husband and children.

TRAVERS.—In sad but loving memory of my dear mother, Amelia Travers, who departed this life August 20, 1907. Inserted by her loving daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Mann.

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IN MEMORIAM.

WEEKS.—In loving memory of our dear daughter, niece, and sister, Polly, who died at Prince Alfred Hospital on 20th August, 1906, aged 21. At rest. Inserted by her loving father and mother, aunt Charlotte, and brother and sister, Amy and Will.

WEEKS.—A tribute of unfading love to the cherished memory of our dear sister, Polly, who departed this life August 20th, 1906, aged 21 years. Inserted by her loving sister and brother-in-law, Eva and Edward Bullivant. At rest.

WEEKS.—In loving memory of my dear sister, Polly, who departed this life 20th August, 1906, aged 21 years. Inserted by her loving sister and brother-in-law, Ada and Harry Jamieson.

WEEKS.—In sad but loving memory of my dear sister, Polly, who departed this life 20th August, 1906, in her 21st year. Never forgotten. Inserted by her loving sister, Mrs. F. O'Grady.

WYMER.—In loving memory of my dear wife and our dear mother, Elizabeth Jane Wymer, who departed this life August 20th, 1908.

'Tis one sad year ago to-day
Since our dear loved one passed away;
The trial was hard, the shock severe,
To part with one we loved so dear.

Inserted by her loving husband and family.

RETURN THANKS.

Mrs. RAMSAY, 34 Military-road, Neutral Bay, wishes to return her heartfelt THANKS for floral tributes and expressions of sympathy received during her recent sad bereavement. She wishes to thank Dr. J. C. Shand for his kindness and attention during her late husband's illness, as well as Mr. and Mrs. J. O'Brien and others, for their kindness during her recent sad bereavement.

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EXIT THE BRADDON CLAUSE.

The agreement which has been reached by the Premiers and the Prime Minister in Melbourne only makes the methods of the conference in arriving at it more unsatisfactory than ever. Instead of 30s, or even 28s, it has been decided that the States are to receive only 26s per head of population in lieu of the three-fourths of Customs and excise revenue reserved to them under the Braddon clause. This arrangement is to be in perpetuity. It is to be included in the Constitution, and a referendum to be taken next March is to settle the whole question. Moreover, the Federal Government will anticipate the acceptance of the agreement just made on the part of the people of the Commonwealth by at once treating the Braddon clause as ended, and this course will make the issue of Treasury bonds unnecessary. As old-age pensions are to be paid by the central authority, it will be seen that the position is not as desperate as at first it appears to be, since at least a million and a half must be added to the total. That is to say, the Commonwealth at 26s per head will return to the States £5,557,500 if the population be taken at 4,275,000; and with the payment of old-age pensions it will be responsible for at least seven millions per annum. Thus Tasmania under the proposed distribution will receive about as much as she obtained last year as her share of the revenue from Customs and excise—say, £242,000—but, in addition, she will get a full pension scheme, which will be so much to the good. New South Wales will, however, come off worst. Her total loss will be at least three-quarters of a million. Instead of the £3,327,000 she was given last year, she will get £2,068,300; and the half-million to be saved through the transfer of her pension list will bring the difference down to the amount mentioned. This is undoubtedly a very serious position. What we feel is that it should have been discussed before the public instead of being presented as a pistol at its head, and there will be a sense of irritation throughout the State. It has been realised from the commencement that New South Wales must be prepared to make a substantial sacrifice. At both the Hobart and Melbourne conferences the Premier showed himself ready to meet a manifest difficulty by concessions, and his firmness and vigour made their impression in each of the gatherings of delegates. Now, very much more has been conceded than was deemed possible. We do not say that the right course has not been followed. The probability is that the agreement can be justified, and that the reason for it must be found on some other ground than the financial. But its acceptance would have been made very much easier had the way been prepared, and had the speeches which led up to it been at least outlined from day to day. Public interest would have been aroused and sustained, and the final settlement would have taken on more of the character of a national decision. As things are, we must work up to the referendum with a great deal left to conjecture, and with more than half of the work to do.

Leaving this phase of the question, it has to be admitted that Mr. Deakin has succeeded in making a good bargain for the Commonwealth. He does not need now to go to the country with an unsatisfactory interim agreement, which would provide plenty of ammunition for his critics, and which would give the States a grievance—or, at any rate, something to argue about and claim concessions upon. Assuming that the various State Parliaments accept what has been done, the present Federal Government will be able to appeal to the electors early next year with a substantial achievement in hand. The reminder may be given that if the States have been unfairly treated, the electors of the Commonwealth, who are also State electors, will have to make up their minds about the matter. But if the whole business is thrashed out in the State Parliaments there need be little fear as to the result in the larger sphere. We believe that there will be a widespread disposition to give the Federal Government full scope for dealing with the vital questions which now await its attention, and only when increased revenue is made available can it hope to do justice to them. Whether the mother State is not being asked to shoulder a good deal more than her fair share of the general burden is a matter for her own Parliament; but even there the desire is to get the financial problem as between the Commonwealth and the States settled as soon as possible, and to see defence, Federal administration, the Northern Territory, and other important subjects adequately dealt with. It is, however, on the political side, as well as on the financial, that we must be prepared to make concessions. What can we do if the loss of three-quarters of a million from our annual revenue is objected to? In 1911 the Federal Parliament can force upon us a scheme infinitely worse than the one which Mr. Wade is bringing back with him. If there should be a split in the ranks of Liberalism over the settlement of the Braddon clause, and if State Liberals should sulk in their tents during the Federal elections next year, the amendment of the Constitution might not be carried. In that event, and if Mr. Fisher went back with a majority in the House of Representatives and in the Senate he would, perhaps, decline to offer even the 25s per head which the caucus so far has accepted as reasonable. The ex-Prime Minister does not favour anything which is likely to help the States, and if he could manage it they would not share in the increase in Customs and excise revenue which is bound to come with advancing population. Thus it will be seen that Mr. Wade may have found himself with Hobson's choice—it was 26s or nothing. Besides, Mr. Deakin, no doubt, insisted that he must be allowed to take back to the Federal Parliament some settlement which would meet with the approval of a majority of the members. It would be useless to agree with the Premiers, and find no hope of ratifying the agreement in the House of Representatives. Hence we may find ourselves as a State committed to the present compromise, unsatisfactory as it appears, and depressing as it must be to the hopes of those who have considered 30s per head too little. We must be willing, therefore, to discuss the position reasonably, and with an eye to all the difficulties before the Premier and his colleague. The Commonwealth must be provided for, and since we have accepted a substantial increase on the side of naval defence alone, there must be a disposition to make the financial arrangements to give effect to it as easy as possible.

TURKEY AND GREECE.

Once again storm seems brewing in the Near East. The hauling down of the Greek flag by the "benevolent" Powers, though a necessary step, is sure to have filled the Cretans with fury, and Greece with deep, if silent, resentment. The crux of the situation, in fact, lies less in the manoeuvring of diplomats than in the outburst of popular feeling it will be difficult to repress much longer. The Turkish boycott of Greek goods is not very alarming yet, but it is one of those things that may spread rapidly, and bring ruin in its train. The ferocity and bitterness of which the boycott is capable make it a formidable weapon, as well as one with a double edge. So far the Greeks have behaved admirably, but it will not be difficult to goad them beyond restraint, and this is precisely what some of the Turks, at all events, are waiting for. Unless both Turk and Greek were ready for recriminations, there would be nothing in the immediate situation to explain the present outbreak of unarmed hostilities. The control of Crete by the Powers has undergone no effective alteration. It will merely be exercised from the sea by four cruisers, instead of on land by a garrison. It is true that the terms in which this change has been made have caused some apprehension in Turkey. In their Note the Powers express their determination to protect the Moslem islanders and the "supreme rights" of the Ottoman Empire; but the expression quoted is equivocal. Read in the light of the known intention of the Powers not to discuss the Cretan question at this time, however, it merely means that the nominal suzerainty of Turkey will remain, and that the autonomy of Crete will remain also. Further offence was caused to Turkey by the exceeding politeness with which the allied diplomats proceeded to placate Greece, whose "correct attitude" they gratefully recognised. On the Greek side there was great popular disappointment at the postponement of effective discussion, but on the whole it seemed that the Powers were only waiting for a favourable opportunity to allow the Greek claims.

It is recognised all round that Cretan union with Greece at this moment would mean a conflict. For some months, as the excitement has been growing, there have been Turkish threats to invade Greek territory, and what is still more galling to Greek pride of loud declamation that there can be no parley with a nation that in recent years succumbed to the Ottoman Empire. On both sides of the frontier there have been alarums and excursions, quickly followed by denials on the part of the respective Governments. In Greece the army is in an excited state, and there seems to have been a great deal of illicit export of arms to Crete. The Greek element in the Turkish population of the mainland is as excited as the Cretans themselves, but its narrow nationalist sympathies have robbed it of any influence with the Young Turks, and have indeed alienated it from all sections of the community. It must be allowed that the Greeks of late have been the main source of discord, even if all marauding bands are not Greek. On the other hand, so far as the Cretan question is concerned, the Greeks have right on their side, and the Powers have no intention of restoring virtual Turkish rule, to say nothing of abrogating the High Commissionership. Unfortunately, they have embarked on precisely the career of pacific compromise best calculated to inflame the ambitions of both Greek and Turk, and it is quite possible the result may be a conflagration beyond their power to control.

RAILWAYS AND DEVELOPMENT.

If the Western Australian Lands Minister succeeds in obtaining legislative sanction for his proposal to attach tillage conditions to private land benefited by future railways he will have ventured upon a new departure in public policy, the operation of which will certainly be interesting to watch. The precise proposal seemingly is to make it compulsory upon the holders within a certain distance of all new lines to place at least 20 per cent. of their land under crop within a given time, in default of which the Government should have power to resume. But all the land served would not only have to be in part suitable for cropping but suitable for such description of crops as there could be no fear of over-producing, which might not always be the case; and, besides, there are other objections to an arbitrary enactment prescribing the exact manner in which an owner shall use his land. But, apart from whether this particular proposal is well-conceived or the reverse, it represents an attempt to deal with a difficulty which is being more and more felt all over Australia. Throughout the continent development is chiefly conditioned by railways, but before railways can be built it is necessary for the State to have some assurance that they will have enough passengers and freight to make them payable. Although the Australian railways, taken as a whole, are now in a fairly satisfactory financial position, they have all suffered through the relatively small development which has ensued on much of the land passed through.

In New South Wales we are now very familiar with the description of evidence which is tendered the Public Works Committee in respect of inland railways. There is such a sameness about it that the formula might also be kept in type, with blanks to be filled in with the purely local details. The point invariably made by witnesses is that the land passed through is suitable for agriculture, and that the only thing which prevents it from growing so many hundred thousands of bushels per year, and supporting a sturdy and numerous yeomanry, is the want of a railway along a particular route. On this evidence the committee bases a favourable report, and a kind Parliament gives the district the line. But, except in a minority of instances, the hundreds of thousands of bushels of wheat somehow do not appear, and neither does the sturdy yeomanry plant itself in the landscape. Along every one of the existing inland lines the eye of the train-traveller may grow weary in looking for habitations over vast stretches of splendid country, which is in large part agricultural. On any of it a sturdy yeomanry in sufficiently large numbers could find a lodgment comfortably enough, it might be thought; but instead there is the continuous call for new lines to prepare a congenial place for the man with the plough in still other localities, which are only waiting for the sound of the locomotive's whistle to blossom into closely-settled Edens. How to secure a more liberal fulfilment of these promises is a problem which every Government in Australia feels it must find a solution of, and that before very long. Railways in all directions are what we want in order to bring this continent properly under control, and to cause it to pour still more and varied wealth into the national lap; but there is a limit to the amount of railway building which a small population can afford to do, if the lines, ever-stretching further out, are always to be passing through spaces which do not fill up. Within the immediate future the Commonwealth will have to find a good many millions of money for the construction of two great transcontinental trunk lines, which, irrespective of whether they can be made to pay or not, are necessary on national grounds. But, so far as the States are concerned, the time is not remote when they will have to concentrate attention upon limning in the picture they have already outlined in ballast and steel.

Saturday's "Herald."—On account of the large amount of advertising matter which has to be dealt with for Saturday's issue of the "Herald," advertisers and agents are requested to send in their advertisements as early as possible to-day, in order to facilitate classification.

Depots for Castaways.—In the absence of Mr. Waddell, who is attending the Premiers' Conference in Melbourne, the report sent on to the Treasury, giving the findings of the Navigation Department upon the matter of depots for castaways at Middleton and Elizabeth Reefs, in the Pacific, is not made available to the public. Mr. Frank Farnell, Commissioner for Lord Howe Island, thinks it would be unwise to establish a depot at Middleton Reef without putting one at Elizabeth Reef also. He holds to the opinion that the depots should come under the control of the Lord Howe Islanders, who could, he says, reach Middleton Reef in about 12 hours' sail.

Public Health Inspectors.—In the Legislative Assembly last evening the Chief Secretary, in reply to Mr. Holman, said that it was a fact that the Public Health Act permitted municipal authorities throughout the State to appoint men as inspectors of sanitary matters who had had no previous training in the modern science of sanitation. It was also a fact that the Government paid half the salaries of such sanitary inspectors as held certificates of efficiency from either the Royal Sanitary Institute or the Sydney Technical College, and that, notwithstanding this inducement, some municipal bodies still persisted in appointing or retaining untrained men. He would consider the advisableness of establishing a body of trained and certificated men under the control of the Board of Health, thus assuring them the same immunity from local influence as was now enjoyed by the police. He would also consider the question of amending the Public Health Act to make it compulsory on municipal bodies to accept the services of any expert health officer detailed for duty in their district on the existing half-salary payment basis.

A Fatal Absence.—Mr. O'Sullivan, who has just returned from Melbourne, is angry about the progress being made by the Premiers' Conference. "Can the Acting Premier tell us," he demanded in the Assembly last evening, "what decision the conference has arrived at? I was down there yesterday, and they had done nothing!" "Well, in the circumstances related by the hon. member," replied Mr. Lee, "I should say he knows more about it than I do, as I have not been there." (Laughter.)

M'Myler Hoist Commission.—The M'Myler Hoist Commission, which concluded the taking of evidence at the close of last month, has prepared its report. The president, Mr. R. R. P. Hickson, stated yesterday that the report would be placed in the hands of the Government almost immediately. Two members of the commission, Mr. D. A. W. Robertson and Mr. J. M. Paxton, gave evidence at Newcastle to the effect that the coal shipments they inspected had been discharged in Melbourne in a broken condition. And there was a considerable quantity of other evidence as to the breaking of the coal by this appliance. Whether, however, the report will be against the erection of further hoists must at present remain a matter of mere conjecture. Nothing has been made public as to the nature of the findings. Representative officers in the Public Service are, however, of the opinion that the report will be adverse to the use of the hoist as against the use of the hydraulic cranes, and they anticipate that the commissioners will recommend as a means of meeting the growing requirements of the port of Newcastle that additional cranes be erected.

Trust and Workmen.—The President of the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners had his attention drawn yesterday to the letter of Mr. W. M. Hughes, M.P., respecting the eviction of waterside workers from the "Rocks" area. Mr. Hickson said that this part was not under the jurisdiction of the Commissioners. In respect to other matters referred to, such as providing accommodation around Miller's Point for shipping and residences for waterside workers, these had, he said, been under the consideration of the Trust for a long time. Certain houses had had to be sacrificed to provide for the extra needful accommodation for shipping, but everything was being done to provide workmen's residences. The Commissioners fully realised how necessary it was that the waterside workers should be available close handy owing to their unsettled hours of work. With this object in view some 24 houses of a suitable kind had been erected by the Commissioners, and plans were now prepared for 50 additional homes, which would be constructed as soon as sites became available. Probably in six or eight months' time there would be additional accommodation to this extent. "We are not driving off the workmen to make a deer park. What we have done," added the President, "in respect to the utilisation of area has been for the general good of the community."

Police and their Pensions.—If there is one subject on which opinion in the police force is unanimous it is the excellence of the present system of police pensions. Right through the service the prospect of compulsory retirement on full pay at the age of 60 is regarded with satisfaction. Expression of these sentiments is sometimes heard when a gathering of police takes place. Yesterday afternoon at a farewell assembly in the detective office a speaker voiced the opinion of all present when he said he hoped on attaining the age of 60 to be told to go, and thus make room for younger and perhaps better men than himself. Another stated that 35 was about the ideal age for a thief-catcher, and that by the retirement of the older men the younger ones had a chance to work their way up. The police were greatly indebted to the Carruthers-Wade Government for what had been done in this respect. And so said all the rest.

The Factory Girl.—The factory girls had a special Highland evening at the Women's Patriotic Club last night. About 50 of them came in straight from their work in the factories to tea. They were neatly-dressed girls, and well-mannered girls, and it was quite clear that some of them were hungry girls. But the most noticeable thing was that they were nearly all small girls. One would have said they were very young girls. As a matter of fact, they were girls between 14 and 20, and as sharp as razors. Every point in the programme was taken up almost before it was made. By some misfortune the piper who was to have been there had been ordered off to a special practice. But a small boy and girl in plaid and tartan, and a very wee lassie besides, danced hornpipes and Highland fling, and a dance which is spelt sheantriubheas, and pronounced sheantrews, and an Irish jig; and the factory girls waltzed with one another as prettily as people waltz in any ballroom in the land. Such evenings as these are held every Thursday. Religion and politics are barred, and the girls go there to enjoy themselves; and somehow or another, it is said, the influence of these meetings—of the chatter, which is a good deal, but not all about boys, of the songs, which are pretty, and the dancing, which is prettier—is quite clear, not only to the girls themselves, but to the factory authorities too. At least they say that it brings noticeably a little of womanliness into a life that is not too full of it.

Honour to Whom.—During the sittings of the Postal Commission there have been many witnesses who stated that reforms had been introduced into the service. Invariably these reforms had been of recent date, and Mr. Wilks never failed to remind the Commission that, as a result of their investigations, the service was certainly improving. But yesterday there appeared a witness who desired a share of the kudos attached to the improved conditions. Mr. Alexander Burnett, superintendent of mails, said that the alteration in the examinations was due to his advocacy. Mr. Wilks differed. After a few exchanges, however, Mr. Wilks retired gracefully, and tacitly acknowledged that at least one reform had emanated from the G.P.O. without the pressure of public opinion, resulting from the disclosures before the Commission.

High Speed in Centennial Park.—Owing to the facilities offered by the Centennial Park as a race track, cyclists and motorists have been indulging in speed considerably in excess of the maximum prescribed by law. Instead of eight miles an hour—the highest speed allowed within a four-mile radius of the General Post Office—motor cars, according to the police, have been travelling at various rates reaching to over 20 miles an hour, while cyclists scorch along the level roads at dangerous speeds. Several accidents have occurred, two cases having been attended with fatal results. With a determination to discourage the practice police, armed with stop-watches, have been posted at various points, and as a consequence several "scorchers" have appeared at the Paddington Police Court and fined. A strict eye, it is understood, will in future be kept on all motorists and cyclists in the park.

Earthquake Shocks in Sydney.—A very pronounced earth tremor was recorded on the Observatory seismograph on Wednesday morning. The first series of seismic waves passed Sydney at 10h 44m .5 a.m.; the maximum intensity was reached at 10h 49m .3 a.m., and the end of the tremor at 11h 55m .9. The amplitude was 2.7 millimetres. Mr. W. E. Raymond, the officer in charge of the Sydney Observatory, states that this is the severest tremor recorded since June 27.

A Foolish Fox.—"Is the Acting Premier aware that a fox has been caught in Balmain, and what is he going to do about it?" demanded Mr. O'Sullivan in the Legislative Assembly last evening. "Well," returned Mr. Lee, "if a fox was so foolish as to wander into a place like Balmain, all I can say is that he deserved the fate that befell him."

Infanticide and the Birthrate.—Mr. Stephen Murphy, City Coroner, has made some stringent recommendations with a view of coping with the prevalence of infanticide. He describes infanticide as "a very serious disease in the body politic, which calls for some drastic remedy," and he advocates amendment of the law in various respects to enable the officials to trace all births and the cause of deaths. Some of Mr. Murphy's opinions, apart from the criminal aspect of the matter, are interesting. He says that two means for preserving the natural increase of the population, namely, a tax on bachelors and a bonus to parents of large families, are worthy of serious consideration. Then Mr. Murphy adds:—"The limitation of families is almost entirely confined to persons living in easy circumstances; the richer the parents the smaller the families, as a rule. The avoidance of the cares of maternity, excessive desire for social gaiety, and the mode of life generally (including the diet of the parents), are, I believe, the chief causes of small families. On the other hand the poorer classes, living on a plainer diet, and leading a more natural life in other respects, continue to have large families. It would seem that the humbler the walk in life the more prolific are the parents. If the present practices continue the whole political control of the State must eventually fall into the hands of the working classes. In my opinion no State can be prosperous in the widest acceptance of the term if ruled by one class."

"Halmleigh" complains that although he lives a quarter of an hour's walk from Marrickville Post Office, he rarely gets letters by the first delivery before 10.15 a.m., sometimes 11 o'clock. Still these letters, according to the official guide book, reach Marrickville at 6.37 a.m.

Mr. C. H. Cooke has been admitted as an associate of the Institute of Incorporated Accountants.

"Hicks" writes that he has been a regular passenger on the Belle Vue Hill tram during the past seven months, and has not yet been able to obtain a seat, owing to the over-crowding. He always rides on the footboard.

Messrs. W. M. St. Clair Maclardy and Dudley Baron, sons-in-law of the late ex-Justice Mr. W. J. Foster, were present at the funeral.

Rats to the number of 1176, and mice 506, were destroyed by the Board of Health and the City Council during the week ended 14th inst.

POTATO PROHIBITION.

MINISTERS AT VARIANCE.

IS THERE BLIGHT HERE?

A FUTILE INVESTIGATION.

The Minister for Agriculture, Mr. Perry, left Sydney last night to attend the conference of Ministers of Agriculture now sitting in Melbourne. He has tried to clear up the mystery in respect to the detection, by Mr. McAlpine, of Melbourne, of Irish blight in potatoes alleged to have been grown near Kyogle, in the Richmond River district, but he has failed, in the time at his disposal, to get at the bottom of this matter.

The information he received was that these potatoes were sent to Melbourne by a man named Myers. Upon receipt of this he (the Minister) wired to the inspector, an experimentalist at Kyogle, asking him to make full inquiry into the matter. This officer (Mr. Marks) wired back that the potatoes in question were locally grown, by a Mr. George Mitchell, four miles out of Kyogle, who had obtained the seed from a Sydney firm. He grew about four acres of them, and sold four bags of seed from the patch, in addition to planting some seed himself. The Minister wired again to Mr. Marks to make further inquiry as to where the potatoes had been distributed, and informing him that it might be necessary to quarantine some areas. He also sent to the Sydney firm (mentioned) to inquire what potatoes were sold to Mitchell, and where they came from. This firm reported that they did not supply any potatoes to Mr. Mitchell.

"There, you see," said Mr. Perry, "it's all very well for the Victorian Minister to say that we have the disease here, but I am not sure about that yet."

Questioned as to whether, as Mr. Graham had alleged, it was decided at a conference of Ministers 18 months ago that no State should prohibit the importation of fruit or vegetables of another State when disease was common to both States, Mr. Perry said he did not know of any such arrangement. It was absurd to suppose that a Minister could do any such thing. It might as well be said that the Minister administering the Health Department should enter into arrangements not to quarantine a ship arriving here with smallpox without first consulting Victoria.

"The suggestion is too impracticable to be considered," added Mr. Perry. "It is the duty of the Minister, when assured beyond doubt of danger, to issue a proclamation. Mr. Graham must have come to the conclusion there was danger, too, because he is now holding up a lot of importations from Tasmania, even though the time for his proclamation has not yet expired.

"New South Wales, as a matter of fact, did consult Victoria. We asked the Minister there whether he had discovered blight in Tasmanian potatoes, and it was when I got his assurance that he had that I issued the proclamation."

In respect to the shipment of potatoes from Victoria by the Barwon, declarations were forthcoming yesterday in the case of some of them, and these would be allowed in. The others will probably be sent back.

STATEMENT BY MR. GRAHAM.

QUEENSLAND A DUMPING GROUND.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The Minister for Agriculture, Mr. Graham, stated to-day that he had received several applications from people who wished to be allowed to distribute Tasmanian potatoes already on the Melbourne wharfs. The Minister replied that he could not entertain any such requests. He was then asked if the merchants would be allowed to reship the potatoes, and he replied that he would have no objection. "It is very probable," continued Mr. Graham, "that a large quantity of the potatoes will be shipped to Queensland, as the disease is very prevalent in that State, and it has no restrictions against importation. There is reason to believe that an attempt will be made to make Queensland the dumping ground."

THE BOY STRIKERS.

MEN ARRANGE WITH MANAGER.

CLIFTON, Wednesday.

A meeting of the South Clifton Miners' Lodge was held last night to consider the question of the clippers of the South Clifton Colliery refusing to work until granted an all-round increase in wages of 6d per day. Mr. A. Gray, miners' general secretary, attended the meeting.

After discussion, a deputation was appointed to interview the manager of the colliery to-day, with a view to arriving at a settlement. Mr. F. Dunleavy, miners' district president, and Mr. A. Gray, general secretary, accompanied by representatives of the South Clifton Miners' Lodge, waited on Mr. J. Wilson, manager, this afternoon, when he decided to increase the wages of four lads by 3d extra per day, pointing out that he had just previously raised the wages of most of the lads according to the work performed by them. The deputation reported the result of the interview to the general meeting of the lodge, and a resolution was carried that the manager's terms be accepted, and that work be resumed to-morrow morning.

Very few of the lads affected attended the meeting, and it is not yet known how they will receive the decision of the lodge.

AUSTRALIAN DRAUGHTS CHAMPIONSHIP.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

The Australasian draught championship was concluded last night and won by Mr. Boreham, of New Zealand, who beat Mr. Passey, and thus gains the title.

TO-DAY.

R.A.A. Band: Hyde Park, 3.
St. James' Hall: Mrs. Perrin's Pupils, 8.
Criterion Theatre: "Cinderella," 7.45.
Royal: "The Bondman," 8.
Her Majesty's: Temporarily closed.
Tivoli Theatre: Vaudeville, 7.50.
Palace Theatre: West's Pictures, 8.
National Amphitheatre: Vaudeville, 7.45.
Clay's Vaudeville: Masonic Hall, North Sydney, 8.
Zoological Gardens and Aquarium: 10.
Bijou Theatre: Moving Pictures, 8.
Exhibition Building: Roller Skating, 10.30, 2.30, 7.30.
Spencer's Theatrescope: Lyceum, 8.
Glaciarium: Ice Skating, 10, 3, and 8.
Fairyland Trip: No. 7 Jetty, Circular Quay, 10, 1.30.
Town Hall, Auburn: Wyndham's Entertainers, 8.

IN PARLIAMENT.

When the Legislative Assembly adjourned shortly before half-past 1 o'clock yesterday morning, ten clauses of the Forestry Bill out of 30 contained in the measure had been agreed to in committee. The tenth clause, which deals with the subject of the reservation of Crown lands from sale, was amended in the direction of safeguarding the rights of settlers holding land under conditional lease prior to the passing of the Forestry Bill into law. Mr. Perry indulged the hope of making further progress with the bill yesterday, but the whole of the afternoon was occupied by a motion for adjournment, and the Minister had to leave a couple of hours later for Melbourne.

Three hours were taken up by a motion for adjournment, moved by Mr. Carmichael, to discuss "the failure of the Fisheries Board to do justice to Mr. J. G. Malouf in the matter of his oyster lease at Berowra." The grievances complained of date back to 1907, and a point of order was promptly taken that the discussion could not proceed, seeing that the motion did not refer to a matter of recent occurence. On the previous evening the Speaker had ruled that he was bound by the House of Commons standing order that a motion for adjournment must be restricted to a single specific matter "of recent occurrence," but he explained he had since found that this standing order was not adopted until 1882, and therefore was not binding here. New standing orders of the Imperial Parliament made since January, 1880, were not applicable, except in so far as they had been expressly adopted by the Parliament of this State.

Considerable feeling was aroused by the debate. One section of the House was quite sure that Mr. Malouf had been most harshly treated—that he had been despoiled of his property, and that neither the Fisheries Board nor the board's inspector at Berowra had moved hand or foot to protect him. Another section was equally sure that Mr. Malouf was exceedingly well able to look after himself—and did so; and that those who espoused his cause were wasting their sympathy, and making a most unfair attack upon the Fisheries Board and upon the inspector. The Chief Secretary felt that reflections were being cast upon him, and he had a good deal to say, and said it with such characteristic warmth that "wigs were on the green." The discussion ended where it began. Opinions were unchanged.

An interesting admission was made by the Chief Secretary as to the reasons why early in the year he retired one of the members of the Fisheries Board. Incessant attacks had been made upon this member, and in Mr. Wood's opinion they were unmerited attacks; but as they tended to discredit the board and to impair its efficiency he thought it expedient to make the change. Mr. Donaldson, a member of the board, and a stalwart defender of it, spoke of the Minister's action as weak. Members on the left of the Speaker were less sparing of the Minister's feelings.

Very slow progress was made with the consideration in committee of details of the Motor Traffic Bill, a measure which originated in the Council. Many amendments were proposed; few of them were adopted. To clause 3, detailing the list of matters in respect of which the Governor may make regulations, was added "the issue of smoke or fumes from motor vehicles." Mr. Robson wished to add "prohibit or restrict the use of motor vehicles upon any specified public road," but after discussion he withdrew his motion. At the instance of the Chief Secretary, the words were struck out which had reference to the wearing by specified drivers of badges, and the committee also agreed to strike out the proviso that when any vehicle is drawn by a motor vehicle it shall not be necessary to register or to attach a number to the vehicle so drawn.

Much time was given to Part III. of the bill, dealing with the subject of offences. Clause 4 empowered the Court, when considering whether the driver of a motor vehicle had committed an offence, to have regard to "the amount of traffic which actually is at the time, or which might reasonably be expected to be, upon such street." Mr. Robson wished to have the words quoted omitted, and on a division being called for the voting was equal, whereupon the chairman gave his casting vote against the amendment. It was agreed that in all cases where prosecutions are contemplated the driver must be notified within 28 days of the alleged offence that proceedings are to be taken. A further amendment was made empowering the police to demand from the driver of a motor vehicle who commits a breach of the law, production of his license, and his name and address.

The House was sitting when this edition went to press.

PERSONAL.

VICE-REGAL.

His Excellency the Governor, attended by Captain Verney, A.D.C., lunched on board the R.M.S. Orsova yesterday.

Yesterday afternoon Lady Chelmsford, attended by Mr. Miller, private secretary, presided at the annual meeting of the Kindergarten Union, and in the evening his Excellency the Governor and Lady Chelmsford, attended by Captain Verney, A.D.C., were present at the Balmain Choral Union concert at St. James's Hall.

The Premier, Mr. Wade, if unable to return to Sydney by to-morrow morning, may remain in Melbourne until Monday, and leave by that evening's express.

Mr. Donaldson, S.M., who has received many expressions of sympathy in connection with the recent death of his son at Westport (N.Z.), is in receipt of a cable message which implies that the late Mr. Donaldson's untimely death was caused by gas suffocation. Deceased was asleep in his office near a gas ring, which he used to warm the room. The tube was very loose, and the deceased must have knocked it off in his sleep.

At a meeting of the trustees of Birchgrove Park, Balmain, last evening, Mr. Q. L. Deloitte, who has acted as chairman of the trust for many years, was congratulated by the members of the trust on his splendid record of 50 years' service with the Colonial Sugar Refining Company, and hopes were expressed by his co-trustees that he would be long spared to continue active work with the company, and also to carry out the duties of chairman of the trustees of Birchgrove Park.

A picnic was given to Mr. F. W. J. Donovan at Rocklily by representatives of surf bathing and other sports, with which Mr. Donovan has been prominently associated for a number of years. Mr. E. W. O'Sullivan, M.L.A., occupied the chair. Mr. M. A. Roberts proposed Mr. Donovan's health. Messrs. Cecil Healy, A. W. Relph, J. Rankin, D. Hogan, and L. Foley spoke in support.

Detective-Inspector Tindall and Detective Murphy, who have retired from the police force, were yesterday made the recipients of farewell mementos by their recent comrades in the detective and clerical staffs of the Criminal Investigation Department. Superintendent Roche presided, and presented to Mr. Tindall a walking stick and smoker's outfit, and also a lady's parasol and chatelaine for Mrs. Tindall. Mr. Murphy's present was also a walking stick, accompanied by a parasol for Mrs. Murphy. Inspector Tindall has been in the police for 39 years, and Detective Murphy has just concluded a seven years' engagement in Sydney, before which he was for many years in Scotland Yard. Altogether Mr. Murphy has completed 43 years of police work.

AGRICULTURAL CONFERENCE.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Owing to the non-arrival of Mr. Perry, the New South Wales Minister for Agriculture, the conference of interstate Ministers of Agriculture did not meet to-day. Mr. Perry will reach Melbourne to-morrow, when the conference will be resumed. The resolutions carried will then be submitted to Mr. Perry, and after he has expressed his opinion, an announcement regarding the business transacted will be made.

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THE DEFENCE CONFERENCE.

RESULTS NOT DISCLOSED.

DELEGATES TO EXPLAIN AT HOME.

LONDON, Aug. 19.

No official information regarding the Imperial Defence Conference, whose meetings will close to-day, will be forthcoming until the oversea delegates return to their respective Dominions, and explain the situation fully to their own people and Legislatures.

The "Times" writes:—"It will not be until Sir Joseph Ward is once more in New Zealand that the conclusions of this historic conference, possibly one of the most momentous Imperial gatherings, will be officially revealed."

The "Times" emphasises that statements which have been made heretofore or which may hereafter be made on unofficial authority regarding the results of the Defence Conference must be accepted with due reserve, and cannot profitably be made the subject of detailed comment.

The "Daily Telegraph," without mentioning the alleged arrangement made by Sir Joseph Ward with the Admiralty, an apparently inspired account of which was circulated through Reuter's agency, remarks:—"Australia and Canada are definitely committed to the creation of local fleets."

Other newspapers are silent, evidently awaiting authoritative official information.

NEW ZEALAND AGREEMENT.

CRUISERS, NOT DREADNOUGHTS.

PROVIDING FOR LOCAL DEFENCE.

An apparently inspired statement in connection with the Defence Conference declares that under the arrangement entered into between Sir Joseph Ward and the Admiralty, vessels contributed by New Zealand will not be Dreadnoughts, but cruisers, forming part of the Pacific Squadron, and employed in New Zealand waters for local defence.

CANADIAN ARRANGEMENTS.

NAVAL COMMENCEMENT.

LONDON, Aug. 18.

In regard to the work of the Imperial Defence Conference, Canada, like the other Dominions, will create a local section of the Imperial General Staff. This organisation will enable Canada to co-operate with the rest of the Empire. The staff initiated by Sir F. Borden, Minister of Militia, after his mission to England last year, will form the nucleus.

The Canadian Navy will be commenced immediately, with an eye to the Pacific as well as the Atlantic Coast, and dock facilities will be increased.

EXPLOSIVES IN COAL.

DISCOVERED WHILE LOADING SHIPS.

LONDON, Aug. 19.

A tin canister, containing six 4oz packets of gunpowder used for blasting purposes in collieries, was discovered a few days ago in a cargo of Welsh coal unloading from colliers into the Mercantile S.S. Company's Jumna, moored in the Medway. At the time the canister was supposed to have fallen accidentally among the coal at the mine.

While the cruiser Duke of Edinburgh was coaling at Spithead yesterday from a South Wales collier, after a small quantity had been taken into the bunkers, three mining cartridges were discovered.

This discovery following on that in the Jumna has resulted in a careful investigation being ordered.

Both steam colliers loaded at Penarth, Wales, but from different collieries.

H.M.S. AGAMEMNON AGROUND.

AT THAMES MOUTH.

LONDON, Aug. 19.

The battleship Agamemnon, 16,500 tons, is aground on Long Sound, at the mouth of the Thames estuary, off Sheerness. Tugs and lighters have been sent to assist to refloat her. The sea is calm, and no danger is anticipated.

SEDITION IN INDIA.

A MAHARAJAH WARNS SUBJECTS.

LONDON, Aug. 18.

The Maharajah of Jaipur has warned his subjects "to avoid the mad and wicked movement against English rule," and has ordered the prosecution and punishment of preachers of sedition, whether publicly or privately.

NEW ZEALAND MEAT TRADE.

REGULATING SHIPMENTS.

LONDON, Aug. 18.

Sir Joseph Ward to-day received a deputation from a conference of New Zealand meat importers regarding low prices.

He promised to meet shippers from New Zealand, with a view to their co-operation in regulating shipments, and to recommend the Government to spend some thousands in advertising New Zealand meat, but the Government, he said, would have nothing to do with opening shops in competition with retail traders here, nor would he agree to the branding of meat.

DEATH OF SIR T. MARTIN.

LONDON, Aug. 18.

The death is announced of Sir Theodore Martin, aged 92.

Sir Theodore Martin to the general public is best known for his "Life of the Prince Consort." A solicitor of scholarly mind, he, after practising in his native city of Edinburgh for some years, removed to London in 1846, since when he had continued up to the time of his death in business as a Parliamentary agent. His first essays in literature appeared in "Fraser's Magazine." Afterwards he joined with the late Professor Aytoun in a "Book of Ballads," and later in a translation of "Poems and Ballads" from Goethe. Some studies and translations of Horace attained the fame of being immediately reprinted in the United States. Soon after the death of the Prince Consort Sir Theodore Martin was recommended to Queen Victoria as a man fitted to write the biography of her husband, but it was not till seven years had elapsed, viz., in 1874, that the first volume of the "Life" appeared. The last volume was published in 1880. Sir Theodore was honoured with the close friendship of the Queen till her death, and last year, having received permission from the King, he published his recollections under the title "Queen Victoria as I Knew Her."

LOOPUYT'S SCHNAPPS AND GENEVA.—The date of the establishment of this Distillery in Schiedam, Holland—viz., 1772—is a guarantee of its excellence and of its purity.—Advt.

IMPERIAL UNITY.

SELF-GOVERNMENT A FACTOR.

DOMINIONS' DEFENCE EFFORTS.

SPEECH BY MR. J. BRYCE.

LONDON, Aug. 19.

Mr. J. Bryce, British Ambassador at Washington, in the course of a speech at the Canadian Club, St. John, New Brunswick, said:—"The full self-government which the great Dominions enjoy is recognised by Great Britain as much as by you, as one of the most effective weapons, securing both your own welfare and the sense of Imperial unity binding us together.

"Any and every effort you and the other great Dominions are disposed to make concerning the common defence of the Empire and each part thereof will be welcomed by us, not only as a help towards securing the safety of each territory—and in this there is no sort or kind of aggression, for our relations with all great nations are friendly—but also as evidence of the feeling of common patriotism and devotion for the high purposes animating us all."

SUPREMACY OF LAW COURTS.

RECOGNISED BY FINANCE BILL.

LONDON, Aug. 19.

In committee on the Finance Bill last night an amendment was agreed to allowing an appeal to the High Court of Justice from the decision of the referee in connection with land taxation.

Clause 22 of the Finance Bill in its original form provided that any appeal as to the value of land should be referred to such one of the referees appointed under that part of the Act, and the decision of the referee to whom the appeal was so referred should be final.

It was this clause which led Lord Alverstone, the Lord Chief Justice, to speak at the Mansion House on the "Executive and the Law." He said that time was when the Judges had stood between the Crown and the liberties of the people, but that was not a likely duty to fall upon the Judges in any part of the Empire to-day, because his Majesty was among the first to recognise what were the proper relations between the Crown and the judiciary. But if certain things were true that they saw in the press to-day it might happen that the Judges might be called upon in the future to protect the interests of the subject against the Executive. He hoped that the time would never come when it would be considered that the executive Government was to be its own interpreter of Acts of Parliament passed by the Parliament of the people. He hoped it would always be regarded that his Majesty's Judges would be considered the impartial tribunal whose duty it was to interpret what Acts of Parliament might mean. It was a great thing for the subjects of the Empire to feel that the interests of the people would be protected by an impartial construction of the Acts of Parliament, and that if a change was required it should be the act of the Legislature, and not by the opinion of any particular official. The prestige and confidence felt in the judiciary of the Empire was due to the fact that their ranks were recruited from the experienced members of the Bar, who in their profession had learned boldness, impartiality, respect for other people's opinion, and freedom of speech. (Cheers.)

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

EIGHTEEN HOURS' SITTING.

LONDON, Aug. 18.

The House of Commons sat for 18 hours, rising at 8.45 this morning.

Mr. Winston Churchill's appearance in slippers, pyjamas, and overcoat caused merriment and protests from the Opposition.

NEW CARGO STEAMER.

FOR FROZEN PRODUCE TRADE.

LONDON, Aug. 19.

The steamer Star of Canada, built to the order of J. P. Corry and Co. (Star line), by Workman, Clark, and Company, of Belfast, was launched yesterday. The vessel has been built for the conveyance of frozen meat and fruit from Australia and New Zealand to England.

The Star of Canada, which will be employed in the trade between London and Sydney, under the auspices of the Tyser line, will take the place of the Star of Japan, totally lost early last year on the west coast of Africa, while bound from London with a valuable cargo for Melbourne, Sydney, and New Zealand ports. The new vessel has been built to the order of Messrs. J. P. Corry and Co. (Star Line, Limited), of Belfast, who own a number of the steamers running in the Tyser line, including the Star of Australia, 6179 tons; Star of England, 3584 tons; Star of Ireland, 4331 tons; Star of New Zealand, 4417 tons; Star of Scotland, 6230 tons; and Star of Victoria, 3291 tons.

THE CRETAN TROUBLE.

GREEK FLAG REMOVED.

LONDON, Aug. 18.

An international landing party removed the Greek flag from the fort at Canea, without incident.

INDIAN TOWN DISAPPEARING.

SLIPPING INTO THE INDUS.

LONDON, Aug. 19.

Owing to the rapid erosion of the earth, the town of Dera Ghazi Khan, in the Punjab, is slipping into the Indus to the extent of from 50 to 100 feet daily. Mosques, hovels, and mansions are disappearing.

GENERAL CABLE NEWS.

MISS FANNIE BAUER.

LONDON, Aug. 19.

Mr. J. C. Williamson has engaged Miss Fannie Bauer as one of his principal sopranos for his company, opening in Australia in October.

[Miss Fannie Bauer, lyric soprano of this city, since leaving Sydney six or seven years ago, has appeared on the Italian operatic stage, has been appointed court singer to the Queen of Wurtemberg during her two years' residence at Stuttgart, has sung all over Ireland during her long stay in Dublin, and for nearly a year past has been singing in London.]

GENERAL BOOTH.

The recurrence of an eye trouble has prematurely stopped General Booth's motor tour.

THE VICTORIA LEAGUE.

LONDON, Aug. 19.

Miss Talbot, secretary of the Victoria League, will sail for Australia and New Zealand. She will also visit Canada on her return journey. Miss Talbot's tour is intended to extend the work of the league.

[The Victoria League is a non-party association of British men and women, established in 1901, in memory of Queen Victoria, to support and assist any scheme leading to a more intimate understanding between British subjects in the different countries of the Empire. It sends books and newspapers to the colonies, where it has correspondents, and there is a strong social side to its work. It founded the Ladies' Empire Club. The Countess of Jersey is president.]

McEWAN'S ALE, in its usual incomparable condition, is obtainable on Draught and in Bottles in all the leading hotels. Brewed from PURE MALT and HOPS only.—Advt.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE MATCH.

A DRAWN GAME.

RAIN DELAYS PLAY.

BARDSLEY AND RANSFORD.

BRILLIANT PARTNERSHIP.

LONDON, Aug. 18.

Play at Cheltenham to-day was delayed by a downpour of rain.

When play was resumed after lunch the weather was stormy, and the attendance only numbered about 1000. Gloucestershire, with eight wickets down for 411, declared their innings closed.

With a difference of 195, the Australians opened their second innings with Hartigan and Bardsley, to the bowling of Dennett and Huggins.

After 20 minutes' play Hartigan was easily caught at mid-off by Board, off Huggins, for 13. One for 26.

Ransford joined Bardsley. The wicket was slow, but easy. Both players batted freely, and the century was reached in 77 minutes. Bardsley continued to score at the rate of about a run per minute, and Ransford did some brilliant cutting and driving. At 57 the latter gave a chance to Brownlee, off F. B. Roberts. On Ransford reaching 96 Bardsley was caught at slip by Dennett, off Brownlee, for 66, after an all-round display. He hit five fours, and was batting 125 minutes. The partnership lasted 90 minutes. Two for 180.

Gregory then went in. The second century was reached in 145 minutes. Twenty more runs were added, when Ransford was out lbw to Dennett for 121, compiled in 130 minutes. His century had been made in 100 minutes. His batting was brilliant all round, and he hit 13 fours. Three for 220.

Hopkins joined Gregory. The former added 4 to the total, and was caught at slip by Townsend, off Dennett. Four for 224.

Whitty filled the vacancy, but only six runs were added when he was also caught at slip by Townsend, off Dennett, for 3. Five for 230.

Macartney joined Gregory. The latter made 3, and then his partner was bowled by Dennet for nought. Six for 233.

Cotter, the next man, was stumped by Imlay, off Dennett, for 0. Seven for 238.

O'Connor then joined Gregory. The latter, after reaching 30, was out lbw to Dennett. Eight for 247. O'Conner was 1.

The time limit having been reached, the game was drawn.

Scores:—

AUSTRALIA.—First Innings.

W. Bardsley, c Board, b Huggins	22
R. J. Hartigan, hit wicket, b Dennett	23
V. Ransford, c Board, b Huggins	13
C. G. Macartney, c Dennett, b Huggins	2
S. E. Gregory, c Brownlee, b Huggins	16
V. Trumper, c Board, b Dennett	48
A. J. Hopkins, not out	54
A. Cotter, b Dennett	10
H. Carter, c Dennett	13
J. A. O'Connor, c Huggins, b Brownlee	9
W. J. Whitty, c Townsend, b Brownlee	0
Sundries	2
Total	215

Bowling.—Dennett, four wickets for 95; Woolley, none for 20; Huggins, four for 73; Brownlee, two for 25; A. Roberts, none for none.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE.—First Innings.

Barnett, c Trumper, b Cotter	60
J. H. Board, b Hopkins	23
C. L. Townsend, c Macartney, b Hopkins	129
T. Langdon, c Hopkins, b O'Connor	11
G. Imlay, b O'Connor	14
F. B. Roberts, c Ransford, b O'Connor	80
F. E. Woolley, c Ransford, b O'Connor	22
A. W. Roberts, c Hopkins, b Cotter	20
L. D. Brownlee, not out	21
J. H. Huggins, not out	1
Sundries	30
(Declared) Eight wickets for	411

Bowling.—Cotter, two wickets for 119; Whitty, none for 69; O'Connor, four for 88; Hopkins, two for 76; Macartney, none for 13; Gregory, none for 16.

AUSTRALIA.—Second Innings.

W. Bardsley, c Dennett, b Brownlee	66
R. Hartigan, c Board, b Huggins	13
V. Ransford, lbw, Dennett	121
S. E. Gregory, lbw, Dennett	30
A. J. Hopkins, c Townsend, b Dennett	4
W. J. Whitty, c Townsend, b Dennet	3
C. G. Macartney, b Dennett	0
A. Cotter, st Imlay, b Dennett	0
J. A. O'Connor, not out	1
Sundries	9
(Drawn) Eight wickets for	247

Bowling.—Dennett, six wickets for 40; Huggins, one for 65; Brownlee, one for 51; Woolley, none for 25; A. W. Roberts, none for 25; F. B. Roberts, none for 32.

The Australians were fortunate in making a drawn game of it. They had two wickets to fall, and were only 51 to the good.

The record to date is:—Played 30, won 12, lost 3, drawn 15.

BARDSLEY'S OFFER DENIED.

LONDON, Aug. 18.

Bardsley denies that he has received an offer to qualify for Northamptonshire.

THE AVERAGES.

The match against the Western Union of Scotland is not considered first-class, probably South Wales also. Scotland is a first-class fixture. The following averages are for first-class matches:—

BATTING.

	I'ngs.	N.O.	H.S.	Total.	Average.
Armstrong	32	8	116*	1210	50.41
Bardsley	40	2	219	1772	46.63
Ransford	34	4	143*	1251	41.70
Trumper	39	2	150	1185	32.02
Noble	35	4	131	922	29.74
M'Alister	24	3	85	532	25.33
Gregory	35	5	74	582	19.40
Macartney	31	7	51	436	18.16
Hopkins	20	2	56*	300	16.66
Hartigan	24	1	88	330	14.34
Carter	27	4	38	316	13.73
O'Connor	17	6	30*	138	12.54
Cotter	25	[illegible]	37	[illegible]	11.00
Laver	15	3	17	111	9.25
Carkeek	10	3	19*	[illegible]	8.14
Whitty	17	6	11*	[illegible]	5.63

*Not out.

BOWLING.

	Wkts.	Runs.	Avge.
Laver	65	867	13.33
Armstrong	76	1348	17.73
Macartney	56	1057	18.87
Whitty	56	1094	19.53
O'Connor	52	1049	20.17
Cotter	57	1395	24.47
Hopkins	40	821	25.25
Noble	19	734	38.63

Ransford, none for 12; Hartigan, none for 4; Trumper, none for 123; Gregory, none for 70.

THE MISSING WARATAH.

ENCOURAGING FEATURE.

LONDON, Aug. 18.

The absence of wreckage encourages Lund's agents to believe that the steamer Waratah is still afloat.

WIRELESS TELEPHONY.

NEARLY 150 MILES.

LONDON, Aug. 19.

The system of wireless telephony invented by Lieuts. Jeance and Colin, of the French navy, has undergone highly successful trials between Toulon and Port Vendres, a distance of 142 miles.

Lieutenants Colin and Jeance have been conducting experiments with wireless telephony for some months. The results appear to demonstrate that wireless telegraphic emissions are not in any way able to disturb the transmission of messages by wireless telephony. In recognition of their efforts Lieutenant Colin has been promoted captain, and Lieutenant Jeance has been decorated with the Legion of Honour.

THIRD EDITION.

KENT RETURN MATCH.

COUNTY THREE FOR 124.

VIGOROUS BATTING BY WOOLLEY.

LONDON, Aug. 19, 2.30 p.m.

The Australians commenced a match at Canterbury to-day against Kent. The teams are:—

Australia.—M. A. Noble (captain), V. Trumper, A. Cotter, H. Carter, C. G. Macartney, W. Bardsley, A. J. Hopkins, W. W. Armstrong, P. M'Alister, V. Ransford, W. J. Whitty.

Kent.—J. R. Mason, S. H. Day, K. L. Hutchings, D. W. Carr, J. Seymour, E. Humphreys, F. E. Woolley, F. H. Huish, H. Preston, A. Fielder, C. Blythe.

The start was slightly delayed owing to the Australians travelling from London this morning instead of overnight. The weather was bright and breezy, though rain fell yesterday. There was an attendance of 3000. Mason won the toss.

Humphreys and Seymour opened the innings for Kent to the bowling of Cotter, and Hopkins. Seymour scored 10 off Hopkins' first over, but the next over of the same bowler in playing forward, he was out, bowled for 14. Humphreys was 4. One for 18. Macartney retired injured, and Hartigan fielded as substitute.

S. Day succeeded. Hopkins was bumping slightly, but the wicket was otherwise good. Armstrong went on for Cotter at 26, and Whitty for Hopkins at 35. The bowling was steady, and the batting was careful. Sixty runs were hit in an hour. Humphreys, when 22, was taken at long-on by Ransford off Whitty. He had been in 70 minutes, and had given a sound display. S. Day was 29. Two for 67.

Hutchings joined Day, who, after scoring 9, was bowled in hitting out at Whitty. His middle stump went. Three for 82. Day, 35, had Woolley for partner. The century appeared in 95 minutes, and several changes were made in the bowling. At lunch the score was 124, Day being 56—a faultless display, strong on the off-side, in 90 minutes—and Woolley 19. The latter had driven Armstrong twice to the on for 6.

Scores:—

KENT.—First Innings.

E. Humphreys, c Ransford, b Whitty	22
J. Seymour, b Hopkins	14
S. H. Day, not out	56
K. L. Hutchings, b Whitty	9
F. E. Woolley, not out	19
Sundries	4
Three wickets for	124

STABBING AFFRAY.

AT CENTRAL WHARF.

A stabbing affray occurred shortly before 1 o'clock this morning on the Blue Funnel steam Polyphemus, lying at Central Wharf, which resulted in a fireman named John Lynch, aged 34 years, receiving seven stabs about the head and body.

Lynch states that he heard an argument on board the steamer near the galley door, and on going to the scene found two men fighting. He intervened, and tried to pacify them, when the younger of the two men, a trimmer on the steamer, drew a knife and rushed at him, stabbing him over the left temple, beneath both shoulder blades, over the left breast, and on other parts of the body. Lynch bled freely, and the doctor on the ship attended to him, inserting several stitches in the wounds. The police were informed, and Lynch was afterwards able to walk to the Sydney Hospital with a constable to receive further treatment. His assailant was arrested, and taken to the Water Police Station.

ASIATIC TURKEY.

AMERICAN EXPLOITATION.

AN AMBITIOUS SCHEME.

LONDON, Aug. 19.

It is stated that the Porte is favourable to an American offer to construct a railway from Angora, in Asia Minor, to the town of Van, in Armenia, via Sivas and Kharput, with branches to the Mediterranean, to Diarbekiar on the Tigris, and Mosul, also on the Tigris.

The syndicate asks a guarantee of 4 per cent. interest on the cost, and 1 per cent. for amortisation, with the tithes of six vilayets as security. The syndicate also wants the right to exploit mines and oilfields in a zone 20 kilometres (15 miles) on each side of the line.

The scheme involves an outlay of £20,000,000.

UNION BADGE.

IS A WHITE LIST LAWFUL?

TEST CASE IN ENGLAND.

A lawsuit recently decided in England will interest those concerned in the union badge movement of the shop assistants in Sydney. It has been stated that the union will prepare a list of shops which recognise the badge, if not also a list of those that prohibit it. A similar course was pursued by the Musicians' Union in Bristol. A "fair" list was issued. The proprietors of some theatres tested the legality of the proceedings, and the unionists were heavily fined.

An action was brought by the United County Theatres, Ltd., against Durrant and others, to recover damages for alleged libels, contained in two leaflets. It arose over a dispute between the Palace Theatre, Bristol, and the Bristol Amalgamated Musicians' Union, together with the Bristol Trades Council. The defendants were William Durrant, A. A. Sennington, John Curle, Frank Jenkins, and Joseph Williams. Durrant and Williams were secretary and general secretary of the Bristol Amalgamated Musicians' Union, Sennington and Curle were president and secretary of the Bristol Trades Council, and Jenkins was the printer of the alleged libels. They were sued personally, and not as representatives of their unions.

The case came before Mr. Justice Lawrance, and was reported in the London "Times" of February 16, 17, 18, 19, 24, and 25 last. The leaflets complained of outlined the dispute between the Palace Theatre and the union, and stated that about two years ago the "Palace" had been converted into a two show per night variety house. The secretary of the Musicians' Union had then asked for an increase in the salaries of the musicians, and a reply eventually came refusing to pay union rates to some members of the orchestra. The Trades Council intervened, but without success, as the management of the Palace refused to recognise the union. The leaflets accordingly recommended unionists to patronise certain stated places of amusement which were on the "fair list" of the Musicians' Union. As the Palace Theatre was patronised to a large extent by the working classes, plaintiffs claimed damages and an injunction to restrain repetition of the alleged libel. Defendants denied that the alleged libels bore any defammatory meaning, and alleged that, so far as they related to allegations of fact, they were true, and, so far as they were expressions of opinion, they were fair comment, made in good faith and without malice.

The action occupied six or eight days, and the jury returned a verdict for the plaintiffs for £500 damages.

An appeal by the defendants was dismissed.

STOREKEEPERS' CONGRESS.

RESOLUTIONS OF PROTEST.

At a meeting of the council of the Storekeepers' Association of Australia held last evening, it was resolved:—

1. That in the event of the Shop Employees' Union endeavouring to further their demand for a determination by the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration to declare a "log rate" of wages and conditions, as a common rule for the Commonwealth, such action be promptly taken as will protect trading employers' interests.

2. That the wearing, or display, of a "union badge" by shop employees would be calculated to destroy all discipline, and would be subversive to the best interests of traders; and that this council strenuously oppose its introduction.

Office-bearers elected for the ensuing year were:—Mr. G. Morrison, Camperdown, Victoria, president; Mr. E. T. Webb, Bathurst, N.S.W., treasurer.

VICTORIAN FLOODS.

LOSS OF LIFE REPORTED.

WOMAN CRUSHED BY FALLING HOUSE.

TRAIN FALLS OVER BANK.

TOWNS INUNDATED.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

A terrific thunderstorm at Inglewood this morning caused the town to be flooded.

Many houses were inundated, the river water flowing down the main streets, while all the low-lying country presented the appearance of a miniature sea. The train from Bendigo to Koorong Vale was detained at Inglewood three hours, owing to a washaway of the line near Glenalbyn. Outside districts report that the country is flooded in all directions, and that much damage is feared. East of the town of Charlton is under water.

A telegram was received from the local police stating that the biggest flood for the past 40 years had occurred in Avoca. The Charlton police have warned the people in the neighbourhood of the river. The evening train from Melbourne to Charlton was held up between Buckrabanyule and Wychitella by a washaway. The southern part of Korong Vale is submerged by the highest flood known in the history of the township. The office of the local newspaper is flooded out, and business cannot be carried on. A number of residents have been obliged to leave their houses. They have been removed in vehicles and by boat.

Heavy thunderstorms were the cause of the trouble. Much damage has been done. The lower part of Clunes was inundated, and the suspension bridge, which cost £250, was carried away. Mr. Hutson, the postmaster, had a narrow escape of being drowned. He was on the suspension bridge at the time, and saved himself by crossing to the bank by the aid of some wires. Birche's Creek was running four feet over Grunderman's Bridge, which failed to carry the strain. One of the pillars gave way, and the bridge broke in two and became a perfect wreck. This cut off road communication with Ullina and the Berry United mine, which throws about 100 men out of employment for a time. An immense amount of damage was done generally.

The train from Portland and Hamilton to Melbourne could not get past Willoura, and had to return to Hamilton, owing to the breakdown of the Hamilton and Port Fairy lines. The western district railway towns are completely cut off from Melbourne. A breakaway has occurred at Doble, five miles this side of Ararat, on the main Adelaide line. The bridge over the Wimmera at Glenorchy, at Stawell, and Horsham, is in a dangerous condition.

At a late hour it was very doubtful whether the express trains to and from Adelaide could get through. Arrangements were being made to-night to send out gangs of men to effect repairs, but so far as to-day's traffic was concerned there was no hope of restoring the lines in time to carry it through. The result of the damage must be to dislocate all western traffic for some little time.

Heavy rain commenced to fall at Newstead at midnight on Wednesday, and by 7 o'clock this morning practically all the town was under water. At Joyce's Creek the new bridge over the railway on Loddon was washed away. A bucket dredge at Vaughan broke away from its moorings, and went towards Guildford. There are four men on her. It is known that whilst in sight she was afloat.

BUILDINGS COLLAPSE.

A WOMAN KILLED.

HEAVY STORM AT BALLARAT.

An unprecedented rainstorm occurred at Ballarat to-day, an area of about three square miles being affected. Considerable damage to property resulted. The Doveton woollen mills were unroofed, and the machinery and stocks of woollens damaged to the extent of hundreds of pounds. Mr. Alfred Allway's coach shop was demolished, the occupants being slightly injured. A house occupied by Mrs. Odgers collapsed, and she was crushed in the ruins, and killed instantaneously. Her husband and daughter were also buried, the side of the house having to be hacked away to release them. Mr. Odgers sustained injuries to the chest, and his daughter had a leg and side injured. Mr. Wormald's house was destroyed while Mr. and Mrs. Wormald were having dinner. They had a marvellous escape. Mrs. Wormald was hurt about the legs. The house occupied by Mr. Seidel was wrecked. Two women who were in the kitchen when the building collapsed escaped without injury. The roof was blown over the next house. The fury of the storm was also felt in the immediate neighbourhood. Sides of houses collapsed, chimneys fell through roofs, and numerous outbuildings were wrecked. A large area of country was inundated.

PREPARING FOR BAD TIME.

GIRL AND WOMAN DROWNED.

Heavy rain has caused floods in the Bendigo, Ballarat, and western districts.

A telegram from Winchelsea states that the Barwon River rose 3ft this afternoon, and was still rising rapidly to-night. It is feared that there will be a heavy flood. Already many residents have been flooded out.

A sad occurrence took place this afternoon at Barwon Park estate. Mrs. Ferry, wife of the manager of the estate, and a young girl named Gurrie were drowned whilst trying to escape in a boat. A man named Hall, who was in charge of the boat, had a narrow escape.

RAILWAY WASHAWAYS.

TELEGRAPHS AND CABLES AFFECTED.

The Railway Department has been advised of washaways near Kurting, near Burrumbeet, and between Dimboola and Rainbow.

All through the western and north-western districts of Victoria serious delays and breakdowns in the telegraph service occurred to-night through the storm. The gravest trouble was occasioned between Ballarat East and Buninyong Junction, where several poles were broken down by the storm. As a result of this breakdown not only Victorian and interstate business was seriously hampered, but the main line of cable communication was interrupted.

The Adelaide express is detained at Ballarat until to-morrow morning, the journey being considered unsafe.

BRIDGE WASHED AWAY.

TRAIN TOPPLES OVER.

MELBOURNE, Friday morning.

A report has just been received at Ballarat stating that the bridge between Clunes and Talbot was washed away, and that the engine and several trucks of the night train from Ballarat to Maryborough toppled over into the creek. Nobody was killed, but ambulances are being despatched to the scene.

LABOUR CONSOLIDATION.

A SENATOR ON SYDNEY LEADERS.

TOO MUCH HYSTERIA.

At the Sydney Labour Council last evening a movement was set on foot with a view to consolidating the labour interests of the State.

Mr. Holman, M.L.A., dealt with the manner in which the labour people were split into factions, each going in a different direction, and said he hoped to do something to check the tendency to diverge, and cement the differences between the socialists and the trades unionists. He asked for authority to lecture under the auspices of the Labour Council, with a view to consolidating the forces, and getting the industrial and political branches of the movement to work together.

Senator De Largie (W.A.), said he was afraid that the movement in Sydney was composed of men of hysterical temperament. At the time of the tram strike there was dissension from every platform. They commenced with dissension, and finished up in the most hysterical and discreditable manner that ever a strike ended. He could not see why the continuous Kilkenny cat fight should go on. There was at present a movement on foot to secure the federation of labour in the Commonwealth. In a few weeks' time he hoped that they would be sending a delegate to Melbourne to put into practice the machinery for consolidating their forces.

Mr. Holman's request was granted.

GREATER SYDNEY.

CONFERENCE OF SUBURBS.

STRONG OPPOSITION TO PROPOSALS.

SUSPICIONS OF "TAMMANY."

A conference of suburban aldermen was held in the Glebe Town Hall last evening to consider the proposals for the formation of Greater Sydney. The conference was called by the Mayor of the Glebe (Alderman Cole) in accordance with a resolution passed by the council.

The following suburbs were represented:—Ashfield, Erskineville, Strathfield, Botany, St. Peters, Parramatta, Balmain, North Sydney, Leichhardt, Drummoyne, Waterloo, Hurstville, Concord, Burwood, Paddington, Annandale, Homebush, Marrickville, Canterbury, Manly, Willoughby, Bankstown, Vaucluse, Newtown, Darlington, Waverley, Kogarah, Mosman, Alexandria, Randwick, and the Glebe.

After a good deal of discussion, it was agreed by 24 votes to 17 to allow the delegates from the Greater Sydney League 15 minutes to explain their case.

Messrs. Fitzgerald and West then entered the hall, and Mr. Fitzgerald acted as spokesman. He said it was necessary to be prepared with facilities to meet the growing requirements of the metropolitan population, which it was estimated in another 20 years would reach 1,000,000. In a few years it would be impossible to carry on with the present facilities. They were not asking for the absorption of the suburbs by the city. They had three schemes, which it was proposed to submit to a convention to be composed as follows:—40 delegates elected by the citizens of the whole of Sydney, divided into eight wards, five delegates elected by the city and suburban aldermen, and five more delegates. The citizens should have control of the whole of the services, such as water and sewerage, gas, trams, and ferries.

Messrs. Fitzgerald and West having retired, the conference proceeded to business.

The chairman said that the Glebe Council had drafted motions. They had had a very nice picture presented to them by Mr. Fitzgerald, but he was opposed to having any scheme rammed down their throats. Was it likely the Government was going to hand over all the services upon which they had spent so much, or give any Greater Sydney Council large sums to buy out private monopolies? The object evidently was to help the City Council, which was not run on very good lines, to carry the baby which had grown too big for it. Let Mr. Fitzgerald say definitely that the Government would be prepared to hand over these great services, and they might listen to him. (Hear, hear.) They objected to the franchise of the City Council. It allowed a class of men to run the affairs of the city, and to spend money which they did not find.

Alderman Morgan (Mayor of Newtown) moved,—"(1) That this conference of representatives of suburban municipalities are of opinion that the time is not ripe for any Greater Sydney movement, for the following reasons: 1st, that no practical scheme to advance the interests of suburban ratepayers or residents has been advanced; and 2nd, that the burden on suburban ratepayers will be increased." He wanted to know how much their rates were going to be increased to. (Hear, hear.) The larger the powers of a governing body the more chance there was of Tammany. In fact, in Australia they heard of such things already. (Hear, hear.) However, with 20 years' experience, he never heard of anything of the kind in suburban areas. (Hear, hear.) In his district they had a street, part of which was in Newtown and part in the city. A gentleman owned two houses in that thoroughfare. One, in Newtown, cost 18s 4d a year in rates. For the other, in the city, he paid £3, and 6s 8d land tax. In that respect he paid for a glorified name. (Laughter.) Both houses were exactly the same.

Alderman Vaughan (Darlington) seconded the motion. The city wanted them to carry its burdens. He felt sure the people of the suburbs were opposed to it to a man. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Pratten (Mayor of Ashfield) said he believed that the scope of the scheme submitted by Mr. Fitzgerald was broad enough to cover all that was required by the suburbs. At the present time multiplication of laws and services would land them in difficulties in the near future. He was not tied to any scheme, but he was opposed to aldermen rising and saying that they were satisfied, and did not desire any change for the better.

Alderman Baker (Randwick) said all schemes were mystical, but they had nothing to fear in the scheme proposed by the Greater Sydney League. He moved as an amendment,—"That this meeting of suburban aldermen, without committing itself as to the necessity for any Greater Sydney, is of opinion that the question will be best settled by a convention elected on the lines laid down in the Cities Extension Bill of 1906, modified as suggested by Sir J. Carruthers in a letter published in the 'Herald' of July 17." On the lines laid down the suburban aldermen had nothing to fear, unless they feared the people.

Alderman Pratten (Ashfield) seconded the amendment.

Alderman Henley, M.L.A., said that once they elected the convention there was no going back. The City of Sydney Extension Bill, as drafted by Mr. Fitzgerald, closed the door to suburban municipal life, and the end of the whole thing would be Tammany. They now had a system that no Tammany ring could get its hand on.

Mr. Baker's amendment was defeated, only the mover and seconder voting for it.

Alderman Morgan's motion was carried, with only three dissentients.

Alderman Wells said the city of Sydney was in a very bad way financially, and they were advertising for a partner. (Laughter.) The city ought to get their taxation on the same basis as the suburban councils, and present a balance-sheet of their assets and liabilities. He moved,—"That this conference recommends all suburban councils to carry a resolution asking their Parliamentary representative to oppose any scheme for a Greater Sydney until local government had had a fair trial."

Alderman Gale (Randwick) seconded the motion. They should now go to their respective councils and ascertain their views.

Alderman Middleton (Mosman) supported the motion.

The motion by Alderman Wells was carried.

Alderman Henley moved,—"1. That, having obtained a large measure of local self-government by the 1906 Municipalities Act, which inter alia provides that two or more adjoining municipalities may unite—and the fact that the City Amendment Act of the same year gives the city of Sydney ample powers to amalgamate with adjoining municipal areas—by agreement this conference is of opinion that no new legislation on the proposed lines of Greater Sydney is required at present. 2. That the foregoing resolutions be forwarded to the Premier through the chairman of this conference."

The motion was carried unanimously.

A vote of thanks to the Mayor of the Glebe was carried, and the meeting adjourned.

CHARGE OF RITUALISM.

AGAINST MELBOURNE ANGLICAN CHURCH.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Specific charges of Ritualism have been laid against St. Peter's Anglican Church, Eastern Hill, in a letter to Archbishop Clarke by the secretary of the Victorian Evangelical Association, Mr. T. Grogan.

Mr. Grogan alleged, in his report to the association, that the dress of the clergy at service on Lammas Day consisted of vestments worn by the priests of the Roman Catholic Church. In addition Mr. Grogan protested against the use of candles, processional banners, making the sign of the cross, and setting up stations of the cross, which, he claimed, had all been declared illegal in the Church of England. After discussion of the report, the committee of the association declared emphatically against the practices alleged against St. Peter's, and in the event of Archbishop Clarke refusing to take steps to prevent a repetition consideration will be given to a proposal that the association take legal action on its own responsibility.

MELBOURNE WOMAN'S DEATH.

CORONER'S INQUEST HELD.

WARRANT ISSUED AGAINST HUSBAND.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

An inquiry into the circumstances of the death of Mary Elizabeth von Hanstein, a young married woman, was held to-day.

Deceased, who was the daughter of Mrs. Honner, licensee of the Bridge Hotel, Burnley, was married in November last in Melbourne, and with her husband, Rudolph Frederick von Hanstein, went to Sydney. They returned in March, and took up their residence at Mrs. Honner's hotel. On March 16 Von Hanstein was under the influence of liquor, and during the night piercing screams were heard coming from the room occupied by the couple. Mrs. Honner, a Miss Naughton, and a Mr. Watson ran upstairs, and saw Von Hanstein and his wife. Mrs. Von Hanstein fell, and was carried to her mother's room. Her husband then retired to another room, where he remained all night. Mrs. Von Hanstein complained that her husband had dragged her out of bed by the neck, and bumped her violently with his knee against the edge of the bed. An operation was deemed necessary, and she was removed to a private hospital, where she died. Her husband, Von Hanstein, disappeared, and a warrant was issued for his arrest on a charge of having inflicted grievous bodily harm upon his wife. He has not since been found.

A verdict of manslaughter against Von Hanstein was returned.

THE FINANCES.

PREMIERS SATISFIED.

AGREEMENT ARRIVED AT.

PER CAPITA BASIS TO RULE.

CONSTITUTION TO BE AMENDED.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

After a strenuous day's discussion the Prime Minister and the Premiers have come to an agreement regarding the future financial arrangements of the Commonwealth and the States, which is to come into force on the expiration of the Braddon clause.

The decision arrived at by the conference is to be ratified to-morrow, when the Prime Minister will again visit the Premiers. By the agreement the Commonwealth is to refund to the States annually the sum of 25s per capita. This is to be put in force at once, the expiration of the Braddon section being anticipated by a year. The object of this is to give the Treasurer enough money to provide for the coming year without having to obtain a loan. The new arrangement is to be in perpetuity, and the proposed amendment of the Constitution is to be submitted to the electors in March next.

All the members of the conference showed traces of anxiety when they met this morning. Everyone of them knew that they had reached the last point of difference, and that either the States or the Prime Minister had to recede from their positions. Many counsels had been called in during the night. In one way the Parliamentary dinner was a safety valve to the conference, because there were many present well able to express opinions on the political side of the question. The discussion on the financial side finished on Wednesday night. The States' Treasurers had said what they wanted. The Prime Minister had spoken his last word as to what he would give, and there was a wide difference between them. From the first the States Treasurers have placed 30s per head as the point to which they wished to bring the Prime Minister. Such a price meant the financing up to the expiration of the Braddon section of the Constitution of old-age pensions by the States. That is, such a payment meant the taking over of the Federal Treasurer's deficiency this year of £1,200,000, which, in the present outlook of the expenditure and revenue, will be more next year. This last point has an important bearing upon the final figure of the per capita distribution. The sense of the Government following in the Federal Parliament was, before the conference met, that the Prime Minister must not allow a large margin, within which Mr. Fisher could come and pose before the electors as a champion of national development as against State rights. The proposal of Sir John Forrest to issue Treasury bonds to balance his Budget fell upon the Ministerial party like a cold douche. They did not jump into objections, but they thought a lot about it. In the same way Federal members were not pleased at the idea of asking the States to make a direct grant to the Federal Treasury to tide Sir John Forrest over his troubles. It hurt their pride as the Government Whip said, talking about the issues on Wednesday night. The Prime Minister may give up everything but the financial supremacy of the Commonwealth. The alternative to the issue of Treasury bonds did challenge the financial supremacy of the Commonwealth, and therefore the Prime Minister resolutely refused to consider them. The financial basis of the agreement was fixed on Wednesday night, which was that the Federal Treasury must pay its own way, and could not receive grants from the State. This at once materially reduced the amount per capita which could be returned. So the governing question at the conference yesterday was the compelling circumstances which were forcing the States backward to the last point on which the Prime Minister was standing. For three days the schedule of Federal work put forward by Sir John Forrest had stood the test of a fierce criticism. No necessities of the States could overbear these unless the Federal Parliament was to be forced into the area of direct taxation. The States wish to reserve that taxation area to themselves. All in good time, and for the completion of Sir John Forrest's undertakings a Federal loan will be necessary. But the question of a Federal loan was put aside. It was the part of the schedule bearing upon revenue and expenditure which counted. When it comes to pass that a Federal loan must be faced, the question of the consolidation of the debts will push forward for settlement at the same time. That time is not now. As the Federal Treasurer's financial statement had stood the test of criticism, there was nothing left but for the States to come back to the utmost concession of the Commonwealth, and it was the political factors of the situation which forced them back. It may never happen again that a common tie will bind the seven Cabinets which govern Australia. The members of the conference came together to-day, feeling that if they could not come to an agreement no other conference could, and that no combination of Federal Ministers was likely to be able to offer them more than the existing one.

All risked so much from a disagreement that it is hard to say who risked the most. Therefore, no matter how wide the difference within reason, a disagreement was unthinkable. In the end it was the community of interests which made the settlement, and this was emphasised by the common enemy. The conference simply had to come to an agreement. The only question at issue was what was the fairest division which the national development of Australia would allow. Through this proper road the Federal and State Ministers approached the point of agreement. Once the rate per capita was fixed upon, the other political considerations came up for review. All these subsidiary issues were settled during the afternoon. The per capita agreement tied together Federal and State finance for all time. This was what many of the Premiers were strongly contending for. It also gives a common bond to the parties operating in the Federal and State electorates for all time. This was the political factor. It was the counterbalance to the common bond of the Labour opposition, of which unification is the objective, an objective which all the Premiers feel is not aimed at for its own sake, but as a way round the legislative canals of the States. There has been no division in this conference on this as a governing principle. It is the amount which has been in dispute. Next the States wanted a settlement for all time to be arrived at now. Each one of the States had looked askance at the concession of five years. Further, they fear that the power of the Commonwealth will increase and of the States decrease. In a national sense this might be. They have no illusions that the Federal Treasurer is meeting the conference this year in greater meekness than he will be in after January, 1911. In spite of Mr. Deakin's opinion that the time is too short "to educate their masters," the Premiers want the issue settled in March, and authority to be taken then to amend the Constitution. The great concession to the Federal Treasurer was that the repudiation of the Braddon section of the Constitution is to be anticipated. If the electors endorse the agreement it will operate during the current financial year, which means that the Federal Treasurer can sit back on his bonds proposal until after the election, and then, if the agreement wins through, he can make the per capita proposal operate, and he will be able to pay his way out of revenue; so in some weariness and feeling that they were taking such risks, the conference came to the point of agreement. The Prime Minister leaves the conference not only with the destinies of his own party in his hands, but with the destinies of the six State parties. The justification of the State Treasurers is the natural growth of the Commonwealth. They have conceded this at some great cost to their own treasuries. When the Federal party offers the agreement to the common electors of Federal and State Parliaments, it has also to justify the concessions of the Premiers. In a strange sort of way this first concrete effort to federalise the finances of Australia make for the coming into being of a truly Federal party. Little wonder then that over all their anxiety lest they had given too much, the Premiers had a feeling that perhaps they had gained more.

HOW THE STATES WILL FARE.

The new arrangement will, after providing for the immediate necessities of the Commonwealth, leave the States very little worse off than they were under the Braddon section. Consideration has, of course, to be paid to the fact that the States have been relieved of the payment of old-age pensions, which can be taken roughly as amounting this year to £1,500,000. When invalid pensions are added it is estimated by the Commonwealth Treasurer, that the cost will be £2,250,000 a year. The following table compares the revenue paid to the States last year, and the payment which it is estimated would have been made this year under the Braddon section.

State.	Actual, 1908-9.	Estimate, 1909-10	Difference.
N.S.W.	£3,377,192	£3,274,258	—£102,934
Victoria	1,929,542	2,061,274	+131,752
Queensland	1,060,796	1,034,167	—26,629
S. Australia	707,959	662,960	—44,999
W. Australia	618,803	628,015	+9,212
Tasmania	232,842	230,787	—2,055
Total	7,927,134	7,891,481	—35,653

Under the new arrangement of a per capita

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payment of 26s, the States will receive the following sums from the estimated revenue for this year.

New South Wales	£2,102,100
Victoria	1,682,200
Queensland	737,100
South Australia	542,210
Western Australia	353,800
Tasmania	244,400
Total	5,661,810

It will be seen that the Commonwealth will be required to pay to the States £5,661,810. But it has undertaken the liability of old-age pensions, and this has no doubt been considered as a direct obligation of which the States have been relieved. The cost of this is estimated at £1,500,000, and when this sum is added to the total amount it gives an equivalent of £7,161,810. The Commonwealth is also faced with an additional expenditure on naval defence, an expenditure which is the alternative to the Dreadnought offer of the Commonwealth Government. This was estimated by Mr. Deakin on Wednesday at £750,000 a year. When this is added to the £7,161,810, it gives a total of £7,911,810. Last year, under the Braddon section, the States received only £7,927,134, and this year they were estimated to receive only £7,891,481. So that when these two great liabilities of old-age pensions and Imperial defence are added to the amount repayable, it is seen that the Commonwealth has not obtained more than its needs. The State Treasurers believe that the revenue will rise; but the commitments of the Commonwealth during the next ten years will make heavy calls upon its revenue. For invalid pensions alone another £750,000 a year will be incurred. All of the States except Tasmania will nominally lose revenue under the new proposal. Victoria and New South Wales are the heaviest losers. But as they were pledged to pay for the Dreadnought offer and already had old-age pension schemes in force their losses are less real than the other States'. South Australia and Western Australia have given the Commonwealth such powers of revenue that it will be able to proceed with the two transcontinental railways, while at the same time they both share in the old-age pensions scheme. Tasmania receives a substantial increase in revenue, equal to over 1s a head of her population, and at the same time she receives the benefit of the old-age pensions scheme.

This distribution will, compared with last year's revenue and the estimate for this, cause a nominal loss to all the States but Tasmania, which gains on both revenues. The following table shows the loss and gain of each State on a calculation of this year's estimated revenue, compared with a distribution under the Braddon clause of both last year's revenue and this year's estimated revenue:—

State.	With 1906-9.	With Estimate, 1909-10.
New South Wales	+£1,275,092	−£1,172,158
Victoria	−247,342	−379,064
Queensland	−325,690	−297,097
South Australia	−165,740	−130,758
Western Australia	−295,003	−274,315

CLARKE DIVORCE SUIT.

LADY CLARKE'S PETITION GRANTED.

NO DEFENCE.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

In the Divorce Court to-day, before Mr. Justice a'Beckett, Lady Amy Mary Clarke petitioned for a dissolution of her marriage with Sir Rupert Clarke, the well-known baronet, of Melbourne, on the ground of misconduct with a girl named Connie Waugh. The parties were married on December 22, 1886, at Scots Church, Melbourne, by the Rev. John F. Ewing, according to the rites of the Presbyterian Church. The issue of the marriage is two children, Phyllis Mary Clarke, now Phyllis Mary Power, 21 years of age, and Aimee Gwendolyn Clarke, 14 years of age.

Mr. Macarthur appeared for the petitioner, but the case was not defended. The court was crowded.

Teresa Sedgewick said that she lived at Chapel-street, Prahran. She had known the respondent since 1902. In 1903, just after his return from Europe, witness had a conversation with him. About a week later he called at her house, in Punt-road, South Yarra, with Miss Connie Waugh. They occupied the same room. They used to call regularly twice a week. Some time later Miss Waugh went for a trip to the South Sea Islands, or somewhere, and was away about a month. On her return she visited witness's house frequently, and continued to do so until May, 1905, witness thought.

Arthur Eustace Blackburn, an accountant employed by Thomas Cook and Sons, stated that in 1907 a clerk in the firm's employ took an order from Sir Rupert Clarke for £300 in circular notes, in favour of Miss Connie Waugh. The specimen signature was Constance Waugh's, and the address Rochester, Acland-street, St. Kilda. On March 18 of this year the same thing happened. When Connie Waugh was in England £100 was sent to her on October 8, 1907, and £100 on November 8, by Sir Rupert's order.

Petitioner was the next witness. She said: After we were married we went to India. We were there about four months. From there we went to England. We returned from England in 1887, or 1888, and lived at Waratah, Toorak, my father's place. Then we went to a station belonging to Sir William Clarke, in New South Wales. I again went to England for about a year. I took my two daughters with me, with my husband's consent. He stayed out here.

Mr. McArthur: Where did you go after you came back to Melbourne?—To Rupertswood. We stayed there a little while, and then went to Japan. Sir Rupert and his two sisters went also. While in Japan we got news of the death of Sir William Clarke, and returned to Melbourne, and lived at Rupertswood for about three years. In 1899 I went to England, and took my two daughters, with my husband's consent. I went home principally for the education of my two girls, especially the elder one. Sir Rupert did not go on that occasion. I remained in England for some time, and then went to India. In about December, 1901, Sir Rupert joined me in Switzerland, and we went to England. When he arrived in England he was very cold in his manner, and very different from what he used to be. I don't know why he changed; we did not get on very well together, and were always having quarrels of some sort. He did not seem to like me any more. He left England in 1902, and came back to Australia.

Mr. McArthur: Had you, up to that time, heard anything about this woman, Connie Waugh?—No.

I believe you had a conversation in 1907, which was the first time you had any suspicion?—Yes. I heard rumours about Connie Waugh. He told me I was spending too much, and I told him that if he could afford to keep Connie Waugh he could give me the money I was spending. We were both very angry, and I said: "Well, I will get a divorce;" and he replied, "Well, get a divorce." That was about the time I heard of Connie Waugh.

His Honor: You mentioned the name of Connie Waugh?

Witness: Yes, I did; and he did not deny it.

Witness said she came out to Australia again in May, 1909, for her daughter Phyllis's wedding. Before she left England she caused inquiries to be made in Australia, and on arrival put the matter in the hands of her solicitors.

His Honor granted a decree nisi, with costs against respondent, and allowed petitioner custody of the youngest child.

HAILSTORM AT BROKEN HILL.

EXTRAORDINARY VIOLENCE.

BROKEN HILL, Thursday.

The weather to-day was unprecedented. Dust started to blow early in the morning, and until 2 o'clock the day was disagreeable in the extreme. The duststorm was the worst experienced this year. Early in the afternoon, during the dust storm, a thunderstorm occurred, and heavy rain started to fall. Storm succeeded storm, making the afternoon one of the wettest possible. Hail fell twice. On the first occasion the hail was the largest known in Broken Hill, being in many cases over a cubic inch. One stone is alleged to have weighed 8oz. Much damage, of course, was done to gardens, while hundreds of window-panes, both in business and private places, were smashed. During the morning's duststorm also a deal of minor damage was done to verandahs, roofs, and chimneys by the wind. The rainfall for the afternoon registered about half an inch.

Several men were hit by stones, and in at least two cases were incapacitated temporarily. The smoke stack on South Extended Mine was blown down, and most of the surface work along the line of lode had to be suspended. A building in Argent-street was struck by lightning, and the parapet destroyed.

BIG LINERS FOR SYDNEY.

A FLEET LEAVES MELBOURNE.

Yesterday six modern oversea liners of an aggregate tonnage of 45,983, left Melbourne within a few hours of each other in continuation of their voyages to Sydney, and this fleet will arrive here to-morrow. The vessels are:—

R.M.S. Otway (Orient line), from London	12,077 tons
Afric (White Star), from Liverpool	11,948 tons
Marathon (Aberdeen line), from London	6,795 tons
Tomoana (Tyser line), from New York	5,067 tons
Cornwell (Federal line), from Liverpool	5,500 tons
Eastern (E. and A. line), from Hongkong	3,586 tons
Total	45,983 tons

CENTRAL ILLAWARRA.

CELEBRATION OF JUBILEE.

INTERESTING REMINISCENCES.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

WOLLONGONG, Thursday.

Central Illawarra, the home of the dairying industry on the South Coast, celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of its municipality today, the proceedings in connection with the historic event being taken up with great enthusiasm.

Half a century ago the old district council extended from Bulli, on the north, to Shoalhaven, on the south. Over such an area, principally for want of funds, very little practical work was accomplished for the industrial centres, and as a result Central Illawarra struck out for a municipality of its own, notice of incorporation appearing in the "Government Gazette" on August 20, 1859. The municipality was divided into three wards, the first election taking place on September 21, when the councillors elected were:—Messrs. Joseph Ritchie, Hugh Higgins, William Warren Jenkins, John Stewart, John Steward, John Lindsay Evan, Robert Evans, Henry Hill Osborne, and John Brown (only living representative). The late Mr. Edmund T. Smith was appointed the first council clerk, and the first treasurer, Mr. John Blackman, of Farmborough, near Unanderra, is the only surviving officer of the original council. Under the old municipal law any two ratepayers at a meeting called for the purpose had the privilege of nominating whom they pleased, and the candidates was bound to contest an election or pay a penalty of £25. As the result of the first election, Mr. William Warren Jenkins refused to take his seat for reasons of his own, and consequently paid the penalty prescribed. Mr. John Stewart, of Keira Vale, was the first chairman, and was followed by Dr. Gerard and Mr. John Brown. By this time nearly all the municipalities throughout the country were in abeyance, owing to the difficulty of getting in rates. The new Act of 1867 coming in, necessitated the appointment of a Mayor, when Alderman John Brown was unanimously elected. A resolution was passed by the council that proceedings be taken against a number of defaulting ratepayers. Judgment was obtained in the small debts court, and as a result some remarkable incidents occurred. When executions were taken out for the recovery of the rates a bailiff was badly maltreated by one exasperated ratepayer, who was subsequently dealt with by law. This had a very salutary effect, and very soon £1500 in rates were collected, and when it was in hand £500 was set aside to indemnify the Mayor against any further actions at law.

The first meetings were held at Brownsville, and in 1878 it was decided to remove to Unanderra, then known as Charcoal Creek. Nine years ago, when the municipality was divided into four wards, the present municipal buildings were erected, at a cost of £800. Half a century ago the municipal area was occupied by a mere handful of farmers and pioneers of the bush. Under able administration excellent roads have been formed throughout the municipality, and the old-time coach journey to the metropolis has been replaced by the railway, which on its way to Nowra passes through the centre of the municipality. In addition to dairying, mining and shipping interested are embraced. The famous Mount Kembla colliery and the Unanderra coke works are in the municipality. Central Illawarra also takes in the important growing port of Kembla, where two breakwaters are now in course of construction to form a harbour, which will be capable of accommodating the biggest vessels afloat. Large works have already been established at this progressive centre by the Electrolytic Refining and Smelting Company and the Mount Lyell coke works.

The jubilee proceedings were considerably marred by the absence of Alderman John Brown, owing to a death in his family. With the exception of one year, through illness, he has occupied his seat in the council for over 50 years. Although 82 years of age, Alderman Brown attends the meetings regularly, notwithstanding the fact that he has to drive several miles to the council chambers. He is a member of the finance and other committees, and takes a keen interest in all things municipal.

A rate of 1s in the £ on the first year yielded £1250 to the council, which was subsidised in an equal amount by the Government. To-day the general rates yield nearly £3000. The present population is about 5000, the area of the municipality is 120 square miles, and there are 150 miles of roads.

A dinner held in the municipal chambers in the afternoon was numerously attended. The Mayor (Alderman H. J. Graham) presided. Among those present were Mr. Nicholson and Mr. M. F. Morton, Ms.L.A., Alderman J. A. Beatson (Mayor of Wollongong), Alderman F. Young (Mayor of North Illawarra), and Councillor J. Kirton (president of the Bulli Shire Council). Apologies were read from Mr. G. W. Fuller (Minister for Home Affairs), Alderman J. Buckley (Mayor of Shellharbour), Mr. John Blackman, Mr. R. T. Jenkins, Mr. T. J. Moran, Mr. John Brown, Mr. A. Duncan, and Mr. J. Arthur. The loyal toasts having been honoured,

Alderman Dobinson proposed "Parliament." He was not satisfied with the present Government's inactivity regarding the expedition of matters at Port Kembla. It was over 15 months since the Government promised £500 to make a deviation at Mount Keira for a tourist road. The water supply was a bugbear from beginning to end, as, while Thirroul, some eight miles away from the dam, was to receive a supply, Kembla, within a mile, had to go without, the residents being compelled to carry supplies to this day.

Mr. Nicholson, M.L.A., in responding, said he had been working hard to get the matters alluded to carried out, but with little success. No doubt it was owing to his being on the wrong side of the House. In his opinion the Government was too conservative, and he hoped it would do more in the next twelve months to carry out the wishes of the residents than had been the case in the past. (Applause.)

Mr. Morton deplored the absence of Alderman Brown. Any man occupying a position for 50 years in one council without doubt commanded the respect and confidence of the community. (Applause.) At Central Illawarra they found the interests very diversified, covering dairying, mining, shipping, and fishing industries. Compared with the past the municipality had a big future before it, and would no doubt become one of the most progressive centres in New South Wales. (Applause.) In connection with the water question, he thought the district should not be governed by Sydney, and every effort should be made by the adjoining municipalities to have a supply locally governed. (Applause.) According to a 70 years old map, the district at that time extended from Wollongarry Mountain right down to Sassafras Mountain and over to Jervis Bay. At that time the whole of the district was looked upon as Illawarra, and he found that before the incorporation 50 years ago there was an incorporated area 20 years previous. It had seven members, who had to look after the roads and the education of the people, and had the right to strike a tax of 2s 2d per head for the upkeep of the police. A most important town at that time was Wollongong, with a population of 500. Brisbane had 900, and was about the fourteenth largest town in Australia.

The Mayor, in proposing "The Day We Celebrate," said it was small wonder they revered their forefathers when the trials in the early days were considered. (Applause.) It was most noticeable that wherever a hill was found a road went over it. It had cost the council in later years thousands of pounds to rectify matters in this direction. But at the same time they must admire the determination shown by the early pioneers in municipal work. (Applause.) The municipality was now a great industrial centre, and they had been able in a short time to reduce a £7000 loan to £6100. Under the new Act it would have been a good idea for the Government to have taken over the loans and let the councils have the money at 3½ per cent., to allow of larger expenditure on roads. (Applause.) The new Act gave a lot of additional work, and was more expensive all round, as it cost his council in books alone every three years £60.

"Ex-aldermen" was proposed by Alderman R. J. Marshall. Many interesting incidents were related by the speaker. He pointed out that the reason for the roads being placed in such inaccessible places in the old days was the fact that bullock drivers made them with the wheels of drays wherever they could in the thick bush. Cedar-getters and those who made whisky away back also had a hand in the formation of the thoroughfares. Aldermen, subsequently travelling as bushmen, pegged out more accessible routes, which the people of the district enjoyed to-day. It was no uncommon thing at that time for settlers to carry half a hundred-weight of flour a distance of several miles to their mountain homes. Not many could be found to do the same thing nowadays. (Applause.)

The toast of "Municipal Institutions" was responded to by the Mayors of Wollongong and North Illawarra. The toast of "The Bulli Shire and Central Illawarra Council" was proposed by the Mayor of Wollongong (Alderman J. A. Beatson), and responded to by Alderman R. Cochrane and Messrs. W. Pryor, J. W. Gorrell, H. J. Graham, J. Dobinson, G. M'Donald, E. Frost, W. J. Marshall, J. T. Swan, W. H. Cook, and A. G. Martin.

Instead of erecting a fountain in commemorate the inauguration of the municipality, Alderman M'Donald suggested that steps should be taken towards effecting the release of an old resident, who had, unfortunately, been imprisoned for four years on a certain charge. Mr. Morton and Mr. Nicholson promised to assist in the matter.

STATE PARLIAMENT.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

The Speaker took the chair at half-past 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

MOTOR TRAFFIC BILL.

The Motor Traffic Bill was further considered in committee.

Clause, 2, Definitions.

Mr. LEVY thought it harsh that a man who drove a small motor vehicle should take out a license not only for the vehicle, but also for himself.

The CHIEF SECRETARY said the licensing was not only in the interests of identification, but also of safety.

After some debate, the definition of the word court was altered from "court means Court of Petty Sessions" to "court means court before which a person is convicted." A further amendment was made defining a motor vehicle as a motor car, motor carriage, motor cycle, or other vehicle "under five tons" unladen, etc., and the clause was agreed to.

Clause 3, Regulations.

Colonel ONSLOW moved to the effect that the regulations should only limit the speed of motors in specified localities. A speed limit created in the mind of a driver an idea that he was perfectly safe in driving up to the limit in all cases, whereas it was sometimes dangerous to do so. The regulations should stop a man from driving to the public danger.

The CHIEF SECRETARY said the restriction in the regulations would not be one specifying the mileage, but would be worded that the speed should not constitute a public danger.

After further debate, the amendment was negatived.

On the motion of the Chief Secretary, an amendment was agreed to providing that regulations might be made to minimise the issue of smoke or fumes from motor vehicles.

Mr. ROBSON moved the deletion of the sub-clause stating that regulations might be made prohibiting or restricting the use of motor vehicles upon any specified public street.

After long debate the amendment was withdrawn.

The Chief Secretary moved to omit from sub-clause 1 all words providing for the wearing of badges by specified drivers, and the amendment was agreed to. In a further sub-clause a provision that a distinguishing number need not be attached to a vehicle drawn by a motor car was struck out, on the ground that it was advisable that such vehicles should exhibit a tail light at night.

Mr. NIELSEN moved to omit the proviso exempting motor omnibuses owned by the Railway Commissioners from certain provisions of the bill. It was just as right that the Commissioners' vehicles should be licensed if they chose to run a motor service as that any private vehicle should be licensed.

The CHIEF SECRETARY said the Railway Commissioners would be assumed to comply with the whole of the requirements of the Act when it became an Act. The Commissioners would be governed by their regulations under the Railway Act.

The amendment was negatived by 32 to 27.

The CHIEF SECRETARY moved the insertion of a paragraph providing for the erection of uniform signs and notices for the guidance of drivers and motor drivers.

The amendment was agreed to.

Clause 4—Negligent, furious, or reckless driving.

Mr. ROBSON moved an amendment deleting the provision that in considering whether an offence had been committed the Court should take into consideration the traffic "which might reasonably have been expected to be" upon the street at the time of the offence.

On division, the voting was even—26 on each side—and the chairman's casting vote was given against the amendment.

On the motion of Captain Millard an amendment was agreed to providing that an alleged offender should be notified within 28 days that proceedings would be taken against him.

Clause 5, "Duties of police."

On the motion of the Chief Secretary an amendment was agreed to providing that it should be the duty of the police, on a breach of the Act being committed, to demand from the driver of his car his "license," as well as his name and place of abode.

The debate was proceeding when this edition went to press.

ON THE ICE.

CARNIVAL AT THE GLACIARIUM.

In a scene of the utmost gaiety the skaters at the Glaciarium last night whirled about on the ice in every possible manner of costume. The carnival was a great success, the building being crowded in every part, and the participants displaying enterprise and some ingenuity in their dresses. In general effect it was a remarkable night of colour.

For the first half hour after the arrival of the most of the ticket holders general skating took place. The ice floor was then cleared, and to the song of the Toreador half-a-dozen Picadors skimmed down and took up positions for the parade. The character teams next entered. A bunch of young ladies in glittering silver tinsel, ribboned together, with a cavalier driving them cotillion-wise, led the way. They were followed by a company of scarlet dominos, a beautifully-costumed set covered with blossoms, and then half a dozen dainty geisha. So on they went. There were over 20 teams, each of from five up to as many as ten, so that altogether between 100 and 200 were slowly circling the outside edge of the ice, allowing the spectators to obtain a full critical survey of the competitors. Another superb show was a number of sleigh teams, "Springtime," in glorious blossom, "Snowdrops," in green and white, "Cherry Blossom," in masses of flowers, being the most admired. At one interval, when the bell sent the skaters to the seats, there were exhibitions of fancy skating. From out of the crowd came shooting across the white surface a lithe figure in pink and black, accompanied by a lady in bright green. They went through a number of evolutions that were graceful in the extreme—the very poetry of motion. The displays were by Professors Allander and Langley, Miss Dent, and Mr. Dunbar Poole. These interludes were made exceedingly interesting. The remainder of the programme included a burlesque hockey match and waltzing.

THE CLARENCE BAR.

INDIGNATION AT MACLEAN.

CONFERENCE TO BE HELD.

MACLEAN, Thursday.

The rejection by the Public Works Committee of the proposal to construct a breakwater on the north side of the Clarence entrance, coming as it did at a time when the shoaling of the entrance was causing serious inconvenience to shipping, has caused widespread disappointment in the district.

The southern breakwater was approved by a Public Works Committee some years ago, but was not proceeded with, the Government of the day contending that the inner training walls then in course of construction would be sufficient to maintain a good entrance. That this view was not correct has been proved by the steady influx of sand since the completion of the inner works, and the gradual shoaling of the main channel as well as the side channel to Yamba. Occasional dredgings have been tried, but without permanent benefit. As a rocky headland projects seaward from the south head it is held that the sand which is carried in must come from the north beach, where the water is shallow for some distance out; and that the north breakwater is necessary to secure a good entrance.

A district conference is being arranged to consider what steps should be taken. At present there is only 10ft of water on Iluka crossing—a shoal about a mile inside the heads—on which the sand carried in by the flood-tide settles down. The department, finding that dredging on this crossing has been useless, is now proceeding with the dredging of another channel, which will avoid this shoal. The bar outside the heads generally carries three or four feet more water than the Iluka crossing. The latter is in smooth water. The regular steamers trading here, as well as sailing ships suitable for the timber trade to New Zealand, draw from 12ft to 15ft loaded, and are unable to get over Iluka crossing with full cargoes.

FIRE AT NEWTOWN.

A fire occurred last evening, owing, it was supposed, to a spark from a fireplace, in a milliner's shop in King-street, Newtown, occupied by Mrs. I. Collins. The shop and a living-room at the rear were severely damaged by fire, and the contents of four rooms over the shop, occupied by Mrs. Ellen Trasey, were slightly damaged by smoke before the brigade extinguished the flames with the aid of one hydrant. The contents of the shop were insured for £150 in the City Mutual office, and £50 in the Alliance Company.

DOCTORS.

Medical Man: Jobson has done the meanest thing I ever heard of. He came to my house the other night, ate a big dinner, got indigestion, and then went to another doctor to be cured.

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MAPOON INQUIRY.

COMMISSION DISAGREES.

SOME STRONG STATEMENTS.

THURSDAY ISLAND, Thursday.

The findings of the Mapoon inquiry have been made available.

After reviewing the details of the flogging of the girl Ellen, the report goes on to say:—"Ellen was disobedient in school, and insubordinate for some time previous to the chastisement. She struck Mrs. Hey during school, on account of which the teaching staff decided that the girl deserved a public whipping, as an example to the other children. It must be remembered that this institution is a reformatory school, into which most degraded and unfortunate children are sent. My opinion is that the superintendent must be allowed considerable latitude to maintain order and discipline. Punishment of a serious nature has been but seldom considered necessary, as evidenced by the facts that there exist no cells or safe place of confinement; that no handcuffs are on the premises; that there is no proper chain to which inmates could be secured, the chain used in this case being scraps of an old anchor chain, the links of which were too long to be properly placed round the ankle shufficiently tight for safety without inflicting considerable pain. Before, or immediately after, the whipping, the girl receiving 20 or 25 strokes, not 100, Hey placed a daub mixture, consisting of tar oil or grease, on the girl's forehead, not on her eyes and mouth, as alleged, as a mark of disgrace. This, however, was not of a lasting nature, and was wiped or rubbed off next morning by the girl herself. The skipping-rope, which was tied to the post, was taken off. The ends of the rope had never even been tied, but only turned in, which made an insecure fastening, and accounted for the girl being able to slip to the ground, struggling to save her limbs; and I believe the rope was loosened by those methods, and not as stated by Baltzer, by himself, on seeing the girl in a fainting condition. Then a chain was put on her, secured by a padlock, round her neck, preventing her escaping from confinement; and Ellen was told she would have to remain chained until she apologised to Mrs. Hey. If she had escaped from confinement the results would have been most disastrous for the girl herself, with one or two hundred hungry natives out in the bush. The effect of the whipping she received was not of a permanent nature, though naturally painful. One girl stated that there was blood on her legs. This was not corroborated by the others, who saw the marks of the cuts immediately after the whipping, and described the nature of the marks to Mrs. Hey and Mrs. Ward, who did not evidently consider it necessary to make any further examination. During confinement she received the same food as the other girls. Ellen was taken out to the post every morning and again fastened to it until the Friday, the whipping being inflicted on the Tuesday. When she apologised to Mrs. Hey she was at once released, returned to school, and resumed her ordinary avocations. The whipping or some other measure was no doubt merited. Though painful at the time and severe enough to cause a lasting impression on the girl's mind, I am of opinion that the methods adopted for the safeguarding of her person and preventing her escaping were warranted under the peculiar conditions Hey was at the time. No suggestion of cruelty or harshness on the part of Hey cropped up during the course of inquiry, though plenty of opportunities were given Baltzer. He made 27 other charges, which were investigated. Some were considered so frivolous as not to merit inquiry, while the rest were proved to the satisfaction of the presiding magistrates as based on incorrect information, and dismissed on the merits.

(Signed) HUGH MILMAN, Police Magistrate.

Mr. Jardine's finding was very terse. It reads: "After listening attentively to and carefully considering and weighing the evidence taken at Mapoon, I am of opinion that the punishments inflicted by Mr. Hey and his assistants were carried out with unnecessary harshness and undeserved severity, more especially when their calling is taken into consideration.

"(Signed) FRANK L. JARDINE, J.P."

The Chief Protector of Aborignes' (Mr. Howard's) report reads: First, Hey in evidence admits having flogged a helpless girl in a most cruel manner for what could not be considered other than a childish offence. This unfortunate creature was tied to a post, whipped with a stingaree tail in a heartless manner, and afterwards chained by the neck to a post. Second, the instrument used as a whip is acknowledged to be of a most severe description, namely, a stingaree tail. Third, Mrs. Ward's evidence confirms that of Hey, and, although admitting the punishment was severe, says he would have chastised a white child in the same manner for a similar offence. There can be no doubt that Ellen was most cruelly treated. It is also evident that the other natives have been beaten in a more or less severe manner with the full knowledge of Hey. As Chief Protector, I feel it my bounden duty to lay before you my views on the matter. I can't conceive how those who profess to teach the higher principles of religion and humanity could so prostitute their calling by such inhuman actions as those disclosed to me. The whole matter is of a most unpleasant nature, and I sincerely hope I shall never again be called upon to deal with a similar case.

A DENSE FOG.

COLLISION BETWEEN FERRY STEAMERS.

ONE VESSEL DAMAGED.

About an hour before daybreak yesterday a fog of exceptional density commenced to form on the harbour, and within an hour the conditions had become so thick that objects more than a few yards ahead could not be discerned. The whole of the harbour almost to the Heads was enveloped by a huge moving mass of black fog.

The Kaikai, heavily laden with passengers, left the Milson's Point wharf at 8 o'clock, and at the same hour the Kulgoa, with a dozen passengers, was despatched from Circular Quay. The Kulgoa and Kaikai were within a few feet of each other, the masters realised what had happened, and the order "Full speed astern" was simultaneously given by both skippers. As the steamers had been going dead slow the way was quickly taken off, and an attempt was made to swing the vessels clear of one another.

The Kulgoa was struck by the Kaikai on the port quarter, about six lengths, or 21ft of her bulwarks, being carried away. The blow was a sliding one, and as the impact was not severe there was little or no excitement among the passengers. The Kaikai escaped without a mark, and both vessels completed their journeys. The Kulgoa remained on the line until the usual relieving hour at mid-day, when she was taken to the company's works for repairs, and was again in commission in the afternoon. The mishap was officially reported to the Department of Navigation, and it is probable that an inquiry will be held.

WAGES BOARDS.

"COMMERCIAL STABILITY THREATENED."

QUEENSLAND MERCHANT'S PREDICTION.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

At the nineteenth annual meeting of the Council of Queensland Employers, held to-day, Mr. R. W. Thurlow, president, referring to the wages boards, said he found the average increase in the minimum rates of wages fixed amounted to 12 per cent. In some trades the increase was equal to 20 per cent. Others were as low as 7½. It was evident that employers, if they were to carry on their business on efficient and profitable lines, would have to increase the selling price of the article produced. This effect was already being felt by the public, and many employees were complaining that the increases in their wages barely covered the increased cost of living. Another point was that the inefficient or moderate worker must necessarily find himself without employment. In that fact lay an element of danger to the commercial stability of the Australian States. If our cost of production increased beyond what it would cost to import similar lines of goods from other parts of the world, the tendency would be to restrict our production here, and obtain the article from abroad.

THE ACCIDENTALLY-KILLED MOTHER.

WELLINGTON (N.Z.), Thursday.

At the inquest on Mrs. Crosbery, who was accidentally shot dead by her son with a pea rifle, a verdict of misadventure was returned.

CASUALTIES.

FATAL SHOOTING ACCIDENT.

TAMWORTH, Thursday.

A boy named West, aged 13 years, died at the hospital from injuries accidentally received when using a rifle at Swamp Oak.

DRIVING ACCIDENT.

COFF'S HARBOUR, Thursday.

Mr. G. T. Cottrill, inspector of schools, met with a nasty accident coming from Karangim. Coming down the Red Hill the breeching broke and the horse bolted. Mr. Cottrill was thrown out, the trap was smashed, and the horse broke its neck. Mr. Cottrill had a marvellous escape, receiving only a few scratches.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—August 19.

Grantala, s, 3655 tons, Captain James Sim, from Melbourne. Passengers—Saloon 46, second cabin 51. G. S. Yuill and Co., Ltd., agents.

Glendevon, s, 4109 tons, Captain Lumsden, from New York, via Capetown and Melbourne, en route to New Zealand ports. G. A. Parkes, agent.

Marere, s, 6443 tons, Captain Firth, from London, via Melbourne, en route to New Zealand ports. Tyser and Co., agents.

Burrumbeet, s, 2426 tons, Captain L. Thompson, from Fremantle, Adelaide, and Melbourne. Burns, Philp, and Co., Ltd., agents.

Allinga, s, 2241 tons, Captain Mackenzie, from Cairns, Townsville, Bowen, Mackay (Flat Top Island), and Brisbane. G. S. Yuill and Co., Ltd., agents.

Moorabool, s, 2906 tons, Captain Mills, from Wellington. Huddart, Parker, and Co., Proprietary, Ltd., agents.

Namoi, s, 1414 tons, Captain Warne, from Newcastle. Newcastle and H.R.S.S. Co., Ltd., agents.

Eden, s, 693 tons, Captain Walker, from Eden. Illawarra and S.C.S.N. Co., Ltd., agents.

Kyogle, s, 702 tons, Captain Farrell, from the Clarence River. North Coast S.N. Co., Ltd., agents.

Cavanba, s, 573 tons, Captain Anderson, from Byron Bay. North Coast S.N. Co., Ltd., agents.

Our Jack, s, 272 tons, Captain Hunt, from Cape Hawke. Allen Taylor and Co., Ltd., agents.

Bellinger, s, 229 tons, Captain Roften, from Camden Haven. Allen Taylor and Co., Limited, agents.

Commonwealth, s, 168 tons, Captain Driscoll, from Camden Haven. Langley Bros., agents.

Peterborough, s, 159 tons, Captain Willis, from Shoalhaven River. Illawarra and South Coast S.N. Company, Limited, agents.

DEPARTURES.—Aug. 19.

Invertay, s, for Vancouver and San Francisco, via Fiji and Samoa.

Kadina, s, for Melbourne, via Newcastle.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—Aug. 20.

Allinga, s, for Melbourne; Peterborough, s, for Nowra and Bomaderry; Hawkesbury, s, for the Hawkesbury River, Pittwater, and Newport; Woy Woy, s, for Gosford, Wyong, and Brisbane Water; Moruya, s, for Wollongong, Kiama, Bateman's Bay, Nelligen, and Ulladulla; Eden, s, for Bermagui, Tathra, Merimbula, and Eden; Hunter, s, for Newcastle.

CLEARANCES.—Aug. 19.

Invertay, s, 3974 tons, Captain Haughton, for Vancouver, via Fiji, Samoa, and San Francisco.

Myra Fell, s, 3050 tons, Captain Darley, for Port Pirie, via Newcastle.

Kadina, s, 2719 tons, Captain Innes, for Melbourne, via Newcastle.

ENTERED OUTWARDS.—Aug. 19.

Grantala, s, for Queensland ports; Polyphemus, s, for Brisbane; Wilcannia, s, for London, via ports; Marere, s, for London, via Auckland; Westralia, s, for Hobart.

MOVEMENTS OF OVERSEA STEAMERS.

Mantua, R.M.S. (P. and O. line), from Sydney bound to London, arrived at Colombo from Fremantle on Wednesday last.

Cufic (White Star cargo service), left Liverpool on Tuesday last for Sydney, via ports.

AFRIC DUE TO-MORROW.

The following is a list of the passengers to arrive by the White Star liner Afric, which is due to reach Sydney early to-morrow morning:

From Liverpool: Mr. Robert Aspinall, Mr. Arthur Andrew, Miss Allison, Mr. R. Allan, Miss M. Baker, Miss G. L. Baxter, Mr. Frank Best, Miss N. Boardman, Mr. and Mrs. C. Bullen, Mr. H. Bridgland, Mr. F. Clapham, Mr. G. Collyer, Mr. George Dall, Mr. Stanley Da Costa, Mr. and Mrs. E. Dinnie, Mr. F. Davoren, Mr. F. Edmead, Mr. F. Falk, Mrs. and Master Forsyth, Miss N. Wilson, Mrs. F. Frame, Mr. Ferguson, Miss A. E. Fielding, Mrs., Mr., and Master Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. W. Gay, Mr. J. Geary, Mr. E. Ging, Mrs. A. J. Giles, Mr. Thomas Gibson, Mr. George Graham, Miss C. Hall, Mr. A. Hyland, Mr. and Mrs. Hollis, Mr. W. Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Hall, Mr. A. Jackson, Mr. C. H. Jacobs, Mr. A. W. Johnston, Miss G. Phillip, Mrs. A. Keggin, Miss M. Lloyd, Mr. Thomas Lockitt, Mr. G. H. Miles, Miss J. Manigan, Mr. J. Midgley, Mr. George Miner, Mr. and Misses Mackie, Messrs. M'Intyre, Mr. and Mrs. Pat O'Brien, Master O'Brien, Mrs. O. Pfuhl, Dr. A. Posman, Mr. G. E. Revis, Miss J. M. Robson, Mr. N. Ryan, Mrs. L. Steel, Miss J. Shaw, Mrs. E. Shilton, Mr., Mrs., and Master Steel, Miss Wentworth Shields, Miss Stuart, Mr. and Mrs. Sharp, Mr. and Mrs. F. Satchell, Mr. E. Silas, Mr. R. Snodgrass, Mr. W. Steadman, Mr. P. Tisshaw, Miss Z. Thornley, Mr. and Mrs. R. Williams, Miss M. Warren, Mr., Mrs., and Miss Walker, Mr. and Mrs. W. Walker, Misses and Master Walker, and Mrs. and Miss Warr.

From Capetown: Mr. G. Bomford, Mr. R. Howes, Mr. J. Cameron, Nurse Cromarty, Mrs. and Master Gerson, Mr. J. W. Tate, Miss J. Nixon, Mr. W. Kelly, in addition to passengers from interstate ports.

MARATHON TO ARRIVE TO-MORROW.

The following is a list of the passengers to arrive by the Aberdeen liner Marathon, due in Sydney early to-morrow:—

From London: Mr. James Arthur, Mr. E. Bowman, Mr. J. Burrel, Miss M. Barge, Miss A. Bedford, Mrs. Bedford and family, Mr. J. Burrall, Mrs. Burrall, Miss R. Berry, Mr. W. Clements, Mr. W. Coplestone, Miss G. Cundale, Mr. S. Cliff, Misses Cole, Mr. Cole, Mr. F. Cannings, Mr. T. Craddock, Mr. J. Colclough, Misses L. and D. Dowson, Mr. G. Dodds, Miss L. Draper, Mr. J. Delve, Misses A. and A. and Master Delve, Mr. P. Findley, Mr. A. Groom, Mr. T. Clifford, Mr. H. Hartley, Mr. P. Hughes, Mr. J. Holmes, Miss Mary Hughes, Mr. H. Jones, Mr. R. Jefferys, Miss E. Illingsworth, Miss M. Kimberley, Mr. W. Kelly, Mr. R. Lynch, Mrs. Lynch and child, Mr. C. Lewin, Mr. J. Moore, Miss S. Martin, Mr. J. Mignot, Mr. G. Mace, Mr. A. Moorley, Mr. and Mrs. F. Morgan and children, Misses C. and M. Morgan, Mr. J. Mitchell, Mr. C. Moore, Miss E. Mullins, Miss M. Norman, Mr. and Mrs. A. Paddon and children, Miss K. Piggott, Mr. C. Peake, Mr. C. Palmer, Miss E. Page, Mrs. M. Pinn and children, Miss J. Reid, Mr. and Mrs. W. Ritchie and child, Mr. and Mrs. Rimmer, Mr. R. Sheen, Mr. and Mrs. F. Seelen and children, Mr. and Master Strode, Miss C. Sargent, Miss E., L., and E. Shoosmith, Mr. H. Searle, Mr. Richard Searle, Mr. and Mrs. F. Thetford and child, Mr. Alfred Thomas, Mr. James Teale, Miss Annie Teale, Mr. George Taylor, Mr. George Taylor, Mr. John Turner, Mr. Alfred Taylor, Miss Emily Wilkinson, Mr. George Willis, Mr. Phillip Williams, Mr. George Yates, Mr. Joseph Briggs, Mrs. Briggs, Mr. John Brown, Mr. Alexander Brown, Mr. Arthur Dawkins, Mr. Edgar Deane, Miss Gertrude Smith, Miss Dorothy Smith, Miss Denise Smith, Captain Theodore Spinger.

From Capetown: Mr. Frederick Lester, Mr. Alfred Nevesque, Mr. Edward Mantel, Miss Gladys Mantel, Miss Ada Holt, Mr. Robert Langtree, Masters Michale Langtree, Master Robert Langtree, Dr. and Mrs. Edward Stibbe, in addition to passengers from Melbourne.

IDLE SAILING SHIPS—THE AUSTRALIAN HARVEST.

Quite a large fleet of well-known sailing vessels usually employed in the Australian trade is at present laid up in England. For many months Loch Garve and Loch Trool were lying idle in the South West India Dock, London, occupying berths in that part of it in which outward-bound sailing ships load for the Cape or Australia. Recently, however, these two vessels have been shifted into the adjacent dock in which the cable ships lie. There are now four big British sailing ships lying up in one corner of this dock.

They are the four-masted barque Lauriston (2330 net tons), the ship Beacon Rock (1915 net tons), the ship Loch Garve (1784 net tons), and the barque Loch Trool (1438 net tons). In another part of the South West India Dock the sailer East African (1731 net tons) is also lying idle.

Advices just received from London, however, state that charterers of sail tonnage outwards are experiencing less difficulty in filling their requirements than for a long time past, and a considerable drop in prices has resulted from the determination of owners to place their ships in position for the carrying of crops homewards. A large number of vessels are now about to proceed east, and the Australian harvest is expected to provide plentiful employment for a good proportion of them. There are some 60 sailers now in the neighbourhood of the United Kingdom, either seeking outward employment or going out in ballast, and with the practical certainty of good rates home later in the year there will be nothing like the amount of forced laying up which owners have been driven to during the past twelve months.

A correspondent of a London shipping exchange, writing on the subject, says:—"Upon what grounds is 'the practical certainty of good rates home later in the year' based? Even supposing that the grain harvest in Australia, now in its first stage of growth, turns out satisfactorily, union grain rates will require to be considerably exceeded to make ends meet with the wretchedly low outward rates now being accepted by owners, who, rather than lay their vessels up, are fixing them on terms which spells loss on the face of it, trusting, Micawber-like, to something turning up to pull them through.

"Just now we are being supplied with colour de rose reports about the fine prospects for next harvest in Australia as a bait for shipowners to head their ships in that direction, and in due time we will be advised of hot winds and drought when the time for fixing homewards comes on with the usual results for the unfortunate shipowner, who must then either accept grain at rates which will land him in a loss on the voyage, or send his ship pottering about with coal from Newcastle to the West Coast or elsewhere, prolonging the voyage by many months, and very probably arriving home with a bigger debit balance than would have resulted from coming direct back from the colonies.

"An important factor in the Australian prospective situation is the part which the Clan Line steamers are to play in the game next season, and if definite information could be given on this point it would materially affect the position alike of charterers and owners."

DUTCH STEAMER ARRIVES.

Early this morning the Royal Dutch Packet Company's steamer Baud arrived on her first visit to Sydney from Batavia, via ports. Her passengers for this port are:—Mesdames Hudson and Cleeve, Misses Giblin, Cleeve, and M'Farlane, and Mr. Pyrander.

MONGOLIA DELAYED.

ADELAIDE, Friday morning.

The P. and O. Company's R.M.S. Mongolia arrived on Thursday from Sydney and Melbourne, but owing to heavy seas her departure for London has been postponed until this morning.

The steamers Kooyong and Yongala, however, sailed for the eastern States.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING.

THURSDAY ISLAND (2000m).—Dep: Aug. 19, Kumano Maru, J.M.S., for Japan.

CAIRNS (1400m).—Arr: Aug. 18, Ouraka, s, from Newcastle. Aug. 19, Wyandra, s, from Melbourne.

TOWNSVILLE (1370m).—Arr: Aug. 18, Swordfish, bqtn, from Maryborough. Dep: Aug. 18, Sylvan, s, for Maryborough. Aug. 19, H.I.G.M.S. Condor, for the Barrier Reef.

FLATTOP ISLAND (1125m).—Dep: Aug. 18, Mintaro, s, for Sydney. Aug. 19, Wollowra, s, for Townsville.

KEPPEL BAY (877m).—Arr: Aug. 19, Waipara, s, from Townsville; Mallina, s, from Sydney; Timaru, s, from Iron Island. Dep: Time, s, for Brisbane; Peregrine, s, for Townsville.

BUNDABERG (717m).—Arr: Aug. 19, Musgrave, s, from Brisbane. Dep: Wawoon, s, for Rockhampton.

MARYBOROUGH (690m).—Dep: Aug. 19, Tinana, s, for Brisbane; Mary Peverley, sch, for Townsville.

BRISBANE (500m).—Arr: Aug. 19, Komura, s, from Rockhampton; Wodonga, s, from Cooktown; Arawatta, s, and Burwah, s, both from Sydney; Bingera, s, from Townsville; Carpentaria, s (in Moreton Bay), from London. Dep: Aug. 19, Komura, s, for Sydney.

TWEED HEADS (374m).—Aug. 19, Friendship, s, at anchor in the bay, not sufficient water to cross in; Duranbah, s, Duroby, s, and Corra Lynn, s, all ready for sea. Passed: Aug. 17, a large cargo steamer, black funnel, at 9.50 a.m., north.

BYRON BAY (345m).—Arr: Aug. 19, Orara, s, at 5.45 a.m., from Sydney. Dep: Aug. 19, Rocklily, s, at 6 a.m., for the Richmond River.

RICHMOND RIVER HEADS (331m).—Arr: Aug. 19, Rocklily, s, at 9.25 a.m., from Byron Bay; Ramornie, s, at 9.20 a.m., from Sydney. Dep: Aug. 19, Tintenbar, s, at 9 a.m., Kiltobranks, s, at 9.10 a.m., Brundah, s, at 10.30 a.m., all for Sydney. Passed: Aug. 19, Barrier, s, at 2.55 p.m., north; Guthrie, s, at 10.30 a.m., south.

CLARENCE HEADS (296m).—Arr: Aug. 19, Kallatina, s, at 6 a.m., from Sydney; Tintenbar, s, at 11.45 p.m., from the Richmond River; Noorebar, s, at 1 p.m., from Sydney. Dep: Aug. 19, Rhea, Govt. tug, with a launch in tow, at 7.30 a.m.; Macleay, s, at 8.50 a.m., for Sydney. Passed: Aug. 19, one of the Adelaide Company's steamers, at 10.30 a.m., north; a steamer, yellow funnel, black top, at 11.30 a.m., Mokau, s, at 1 p.m., Guthrie, s, at 1 p.m., all south.

SOUTH SOLITARY ISLAND (290m).—Passed: Aug. 19, Macleay, s, at 2.15 p.m., Burrunda, Govt tug, with a punt in tow, at 2.15 p.m., Makambo, s, at 3.20 p.m., a large steamer, 4 masts, yellow funnel, hull down, at 3.20 p.m., Brundah, s, at 5 p.m., an Aberdeen liner, at 5.20 p.m., a North Coast steamer, at 6 p.m., all south.

COFF'S HARBOUR (240m).—Arr: Aug. 19, Cooloon, s, at 12.15 a.m., Noorebar, s, at 6 a.m., both from Sydney.

BELLINGER HEADS (230m).—Aug. 19, Euroka, s, and Australia, schr, both barbound; Warwick Edward, s, outside, unable to enter.

MACLEAY RIVER HEADS (200m).—Arr: Aug. 19, Yulgilbar, s, at 8.45 a.m., from Sydney; Warwick Edward, s, at anchor in the bay. Dep: Aug. 19, Warwick Edward, s, at 8 a.m.

SMOKY CAPE (205m).—Passed: Aug. 19, Gooma, s, at 12.30 p.m., south.

PORT MACQUARIE (174m).—Dep: Aug. 19, Wauchope, s, at 10.30 a.m., Hastings, s, at 11.30 a.m., both for Sydney.

CAMDEN HAVEN HEADS (150m).—Dep: Aug. 19, Commonwealth, s, at 8.30 p.m., Bellinger, s, at 10.10 p.m., S. H. Hayward, ktch, at 9.20 p.m., all for Sydney.

CROWDY HEADS (147m).—Passed: Aug. 19, a large str, black funnel, red and white band, at 5.30 p.m., north; Wauchope, s, at 3.35 p.m., one of Howard Smith's strs, at 4.15 p.m., both south.

MANNING HEADS (144m).—Arr: Aug. 19, Pyrmont, s, at 11.45 a.m., from Sydney.

SEAL ROCKS (109m).—Passed: Aug. 19, Pyrmont, s, at 7.20 a.m., north; Bellinger, s, at 8.45 a.m., south.

PORT STEPHENS (83m).—Arr: Aug. 19, Myee, s, at 6.30 a.m.; Hawk, s, and Storm King, s, at 9.30 a.m.; Sheila, oil launch, at 4.30 p.m. Passed: Aug. 19, Sheila, oil launch, at 12.20 p.m., a German str, at 11.10 a.m., both north; Kyogle, s, at 6.20 a.m., Allinga, s, at 7.30 a.m., Commonwealth, s, at 9 a.m., Hawk, s, at 12.30 p.m., a large ship, in tow, at 1 p.m., Dauntless, s, at 1 p.m., Karuah, s, at 1.40 p.m., Storm King, s, at 2 p.m., S. A. Hayward, ktch, at 4.20 p.m., all south.

NEWCASTLE (62m).—Arr: Aug. 19, G. Mazzinea (formerly Cockermouth), Chilian ship, from Callao; Karuah, s, from Port Stephens; Duckenfield, s, Archer, s, Hunter, s, Alice, s, Murray, s, Beagle, s, Queen Bee, s, all from Sydney; Scharzfels, s, from Brisbane; Wairuna, s, from Dunedin; Hawk, s, from Port Stephens. Dep: Aug. 19, Hawk, s, and Storm King, s, both for Port Stephens; Murray, s, and Beagle, s, both for Sydney; Wonnus, s, for Java ports and Macassar, via Townsville; Whangape, s, for Bluff; Kurtune, s, for Beauty Point; Nardoo, s, for Adelaide; New Guinea, s, for Melbourne; Archer, s, Duckenfield, s, Karuah, s, all for Sydney.

SOUTH HEAD (4m).—Passed: Aug. 19, a barque ENE 18 miles, at 1.10 p.m., beating north.

WOLLONGONG (44m).—Arr: Aug. 18, Palmerston, s, at 4 p.m., from Sydney. Dep: Aug. 19, Peterborough, s, at 5 p.m., Palmerston, s, at 6 p.m., both for Sydney.

KIAMA (50m).—Arr: Aug. 19, Moruya, s, at 3 a.m., Kiama, s, at 5 p.m., both from Sydney. Dep: Aug. 19, Moruya, s, at 4.30 a.m., for Ulladulla.

CROOKHAVEN HEADS (74m).—Dep: Aug. 19, Peterborough, s, at 9.45 a.m., for Sydney.

JERVIS BAY (87m).—Passed: Aug. 19, a steamer, yellow funnel, at 6.35 a.m., Taiyuan, s, bound for Newcastle, at 3.55 p.m.; Karori, s, at 5 p.m., all north; Moruya, s, at 7.30 a.m., Zelma, ktch, at 11.40 a.m., both south.

BATEMAN'S BAY (134m).—Arr: Aug. 19, Coomonderry, s, at 7 a.m., from Sydney.

MORUYA HEADS (141m).—Passed: Aug. 19, Alabama, s, at 2.30 p.m., north; Coomonderry, s, at 3.15 p.m., south.

EDEN (210m).—Arr: Aug. 19, Wakatipu, s, at 6.10 a.m., from Sydney. Dep: Aug. 19, Wakatipu, s, at 6.30 a.m., for Launceston.

GREEN CAPE (218m).—Passed: Aug. 19, a steamer at 12.15 a.m., Alabama, s, at 5.29 a.m., a steamer, red funnel, black top, at 5.50 p.m., Bombala, s, at 5.55 p.m., all north.

GABO (238m).—Passed: Aug. 19, a steamer, distant at 5.50 p.m., north; Magdala, s, at 3.30 p.m., bound to Newcastle.

WILSON'S PROMONTORY (420m).—Passed inward: Aug. 19, Perth, s, at 1.45 p.m. Passed outward: Aug. 19, Bombala, s, at 2.30 a.m.; Afric, s, at 6 p.m.

MELBOURNE (576m).—Arr: Aug. 19, Oonah, s, from Burnie; Sildra, s, from Ocean Island, via Sydney Heads; Schwaben, s, from Bremen; Solingen, s, from New York, via ports; Wyreema, s, from Cooktown, via Sydney; Rostock, s, from Hamburg; Toroa, s, from Stanley (Tas.); Hobart, s, from Sydney; Chillagoe, s, from Newcastle. Dep: Aug. 19, Eastern, s, for Hongkong, via Sydney; Cornwall, s, Tomoana, s, Marathon, s, Afric, s, and Otway, R.M.S., all for Sydney; Loongana, s, for Launceston.

LAUNCESTON (500m).—Dep: Aug. 19, Rotomahana, s, at 3.25 p.m., for Melbourne.

HOBART (648m).—Arr: Aug. 19, Ulimaroa, s, at 10.50 a.m., from the Bluff; Paloona, s, at 12.30 p.m., from Sydney. Dep: Aug. 19, Ulimaroa, s, at 5.5 p.m., for Melbourne.

DEVONPORT (498m).—Arr: Aug. 19, Kakapo, s, at 2.45 p.m., from Burnie.

BURNIE (519m).—Arr: Aug. 19, Kakapo, s, at 2 a.m., from Strahan.

STANLEY (553m).—Arr: Aug. 19, Sydney, s, at 5.10 a.m., from Melbourne. Dep: Aug. 18, Toroa, s, at 8.30 p.m., for Melbourne. Aug. 19, Sydney, s, at 3.10 p.m., for Burnie.

FREMANTLE (2460m).—Arr: Aug. 19, Kanowna, s, at 9.20 a.m., from the eastern States. Dep: Aug. 18, Borkum, s, at 8 a.m., for the eastern States.

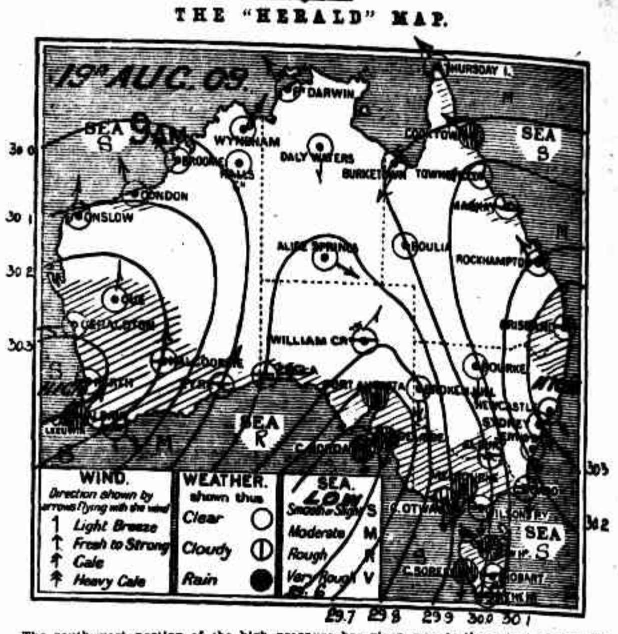
NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING.

TAIRUA.—Dep: Aug. 19, Zingara, sch, for Sydney.

DUNEDIN (1238m).—Dep: Aug. 19, Bantu, s, for Australian ports.

AUSTRALIAN WEATHER.

THE "HERALD" MAP.



The south-west portion of the high pressure has given way to the extent of about 600 miles to the advancing Antarctic disturbance, which has gained a considerable amount of energy during the past 24 hours, and is now centrally situated to the north of Cape Borda. The conditions should result in general rains, with some heavy falls and thunder, during the next day or two.

Ocean Forecasts.—North-west to south-west gales and rough weather between the Bight and Tasman Sea during the next few days.

More floods inevitable in Victoria and New South Wales inland rivers, more particularly in tributaries of Murray and Murrumbidgee.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS.

Commonwealth Weather Bureau, Thursday.

Sydney rainfall, average annual for 50 years, 4828.

Average rainfall for 51 years, from January 1 to end of July, 3348 points.

Total rainfall from January 1, 1909, to date, 1768 points.

Total for corresponding period of 1908, 2826 points.

Barometer.—At 9 a.m., 30.292; at 3 p.m., 30.085; at 9 p.m., 29.965.

Temperature.—At 9 a.m., 50.7; at 3 p.m., 63.8; at 9 p.m., 60; maximum, 64.6; minimum, 45.9.

Humidity.—At 9 a.m., 93; at 3 p.m., 66; at 9 p.m., 82.

Wind.—Greatest velocity, 15 miles from the N.E.

RAINFALL REGISTRATION.

New South Wales (for the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m.).—Adelong, 13 points; Armidale, 5; Balranald, 10; Byron Bay, 46; Casino, 1; Clarence Heads, 10; Coonabarabran, 14; Cootamundra, 30; Deniliquin, 5; Euston, 8; Germanton, 3; Glen Innes, 4; Grafton, 8; Gundagai, 62; Inverell, 5; Kiandra, 12; Lismore, 20; Morangarell, 5; Moss Vale, 2; Murrumburrah, 27; Orange, 2; Sutton Forest, 1; Tarcutta, 15; Tumbarumba, 2; Tweed Heads, 42; Uralla, 3; Walcha, 3; Warialda, 5; Woolgoolga, 1; Young, 15.

RAINFALL DISTRIBUTION.

New South Wales (for the 24 hours ended 9 a.m.).—Light to moderate rain recorded in north-eastern corner and scattered places in southern inland districts, chiefly on the slopes.

Victoria.—Light to heavy, with some thunderstorms recorded generally, except north-east and Gippsland, where scattered.

South Australia.—Splendid general rains recorded over agricultural areas; many thunderstorms; 55 stations over the inch.

Queensland.—Light to heavy rain recorded along coast, chiefly north-east and south-east, extending to E. Downs.

Tasmania.—Light to moderate rain recorded generally except in the south.

Western Australia.—Light general rain recorded south of the tropics.

QUEENSLAND RAINFALL.

The following were the principal registrations in Queensland during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. on Thursday:—

Northern Division.—Cooktown 19 points, Cairns 54, Cardwell 52, Port Douglas 25, Geraldton 150, Herberton 75, Atherton 105, Eton 14, Grassy Hill 19, Halifax 51, Ingham 15, Lucinda 50, Proserpine 28.

Central Division.—Yeppoon 31 points.

Southern Division.—Maryborough 12 points, Childers 17, Double Island Point 48, Gympie 26, Yandina 25, Boonah 15, Booval 17, Cabarlah 14, Englesburg 15, Ernest Junction 29, Eumundi 50, Harrisville 32, Inskip Point 51, Kenilworth 24, Laidley 42, Mapleton 21, Marburg 12, Dalby 28, Nambour 18, Nerang 20, Oxenford 25, Palmwoods 37, Spring Bluff 14, Toolgoolawah 22, Woombye 20.

Metropolitan Area.—Up to 22 points.

Late reports for the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. on Wednesday were:—Eumundi 213 points, Oxenford 89, and Pialba 78.

CONDITIONS AT 9 A.M.

New South Wales.—Showery on the extreme north coast; cloudy to overcast in the south-eastern quarter, otherwise fine and clear, except cloudy at scattered places; foggy at places central coast.

Victoria.—Unsettled to raining throughout.

South Australia.—Threatening or unsettled south of Charlotte Waters; rain setting in west of Lake Torrens, and raining everywhere south of Quorn.

Queensland.—Cloudy generally along Pacific slope, over peninsula, and far north-west; showery north-east coast, and threatening at a few places in the south-east; fine but cloudy mid-interior, central, and southern divisions; clear in the west.

Tasmania.—Showery in the north; cloudy to overcast in the south.

Western Australia.—Chiefly clear north of the tropics; elsewhere fine, but cloudy to overcast with a shower or two south of the goldfields.

BAROMETERS AT 9 A.M.

Carnarvon, 30.12; Geraldton, 30.28; Perth, 30.30; Esperance Bay, 30.13; Eucla, 29.89; Streaky Bay, 29.65; Adelaide, 29.65; Robe, 29.70; Portland, 29.83; Melbourne, 29.95; Wilson's Promontory, 30.00; Gabo Island, 30.15; Cape St. George, 30.22; Newcastle, 30.30; Port Macquarie, 30.33; Clarence Heads, 30.38; Brisbane, 30.31; Rockhampton, 30.22; Mackay, 30.17; Cooktown, 30.02.

TEMPERATURES.

Perth (for the 24 hours ended 9 a.m.), maximum 69, minimum 44; Adelaide, maximum 67, minimum 53; Melbourne, maximum 67, minimum 55; Brisbane, maximum 64, minimum 56; Hobart, maximum 52, minimum 38.

RIVER REPORTS.

The heights above summer level of the inland rivers at 9 a.m. on August 19, were as follows:—Albury, 12ft 10in; Balranald, 11ft 10in; Bingara, 3ft, f; Boggabilla, 7ft, f; Booligal, 4ft 6in, f; Bourke, 3ft 2in, f; Brewarrina, 5ft 8in, f; Collarenebri, 4ft; Condobolin, 3ft; Cowra, 4ft 10in; Deniliquin, 20ft 9in; Dubbo, 4ft 10in; Euabalong, 8ft 8in, f; Euston, 24ft 8in; Forbes, 11ft 6in, f; Goodooga, 1; Gundagai, 11ft; Gunnedah, 1; Hay, 11ft 6in; Hillston, 12ft 8in, r; Kunopia, 4ft, r; Louth, 8ft 6in, f; Manilla, 1ft; Menindie, 5ft 8in; Moama, 18ft 9in; Mogil Mogil, 1ft 3in f.; Moulamein, 10ft 6in; Mungundi, 6ft 9in, r; Narrandera, 20ft 11in; Pooncarie, 6ft 11in; Tilpa, 5ft 7in; Tocumwal, 16ft 11in; Wagga Wagga, 17ft 9in, f; Wentworth, 17ft; Wilcannia, 6ft 1in, r; Yetman, 1ft 6in, f; Barwon River at Walgett, 10ft 6in, r; Namoi River, at Walgett, 4ft 11in, s.

Note.—R, rising; f, falling; s, stationary; l, low.

COASTAL REPORTS AT 8 P.M.

Tweed Heads, N, fresh, fine, heavy break on bar; Byron Bay, SW, light, cloudy, sea smooth; Ballina, SW, light, cloudy, bar moderate; Clarence Heads, NE, moderate, fine, sea smooth; Woolgoolga, NE, light, fine, sea smooth; Bellinger Heads, NE, strong, fine, sea moderate; Nambucca Heads, NE, strong, fine, sea rough; Port Macquarie, NE, strong, hazy, sea slight; Manning Heads, NE, strong, fine, sea smooth; Seal Rocks, NE, fresh, fine, sea moderate; Port Stephens, N, strong, cloudy, sea slight; Newcastle, NE, fresh, fine, sea slight; Lake Macquarie Heads, E, fresh, fine, sea slight; Catherine Hill Bay, E, fresh, fine, sea slight; Barranjoey, NE, fresh, hazy, sea slight; South Head, NE, fresh, cloudy, sea moderate; Wollongong, NE, strong, hazy, cloudy, sea smooth; Kiama, NE, strong, cloudy, sea smooth; Crookhaven Heads, NE, fresh, fine, sea slight; Jervis Bay, N, strong, fine, sea slight; Ulladulla, N, light, cloudy, sea slight; Bateman's Bay, N, fresh, cloudy, sea slight; Moruya, NE, strong, fine, sea moderate; Eden, N, fresh, gloomy, sea slight; Green Cape, N, fresh, squally, cloudy, sea moderate; Gabo Island, N, strong, gloomy, misty, sea moderate.

FORECASTS AT 9 P.M.

New South Wales.—Promise of general rain, with some flood falls during the next day or two. Fresh to strong northerly winds with some thunder and milder temperatures.

Victoria.—General rains; some flood falls; mild, but squally, northerly winds, veering to cold, south-westerlies in western parts; more thunderstorms.

Queensland.—More or less cloudy generally, and occasional showers in various districts; northerly winds inland.

South Australia.—More general rains; north-westerly to south-westerly winds; squally and rough on the coast.

Western Australia.—Generally une, clearing showers on the goldfields, but rain continuing on the south coast; westerly winds in the south, variable elsewhere.

Tasmania.—General rains; squally, northerly winds, veering to cold and squally, stormy, westerlies.

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDA FOR AUGUST 20.

Sun rises at 6.29, sets at 5.29; Moon, 8.59 a.m., 9.0 p.m.; Mercury, 7.15 a.m., 6.35 p.m.; Venus, 7.59 a.m., 7.49 p.m.; Mars, 8.25 p.m., 8.47 a.m.; Jupiter, 7.28 a.m., 7.13 p.m.; Saturn, 9.45 p.m., 9.21 a.m.

Full Moon, August 31, at 5.8 p.m.

High water at Fort Denison at 10.51 a.m. and 11.0 p.m.

THE MAILS.

THIS DAY.

South Australia.—Overland, 5.30 p.m.

Victoria.—Overland, 5.30 and 8 p.m.

Queensland.—Overland, 3.45 p.m.

Eden.—Eden, 9 a.m.

Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Rotomahana, 5.30 p.m.

SATURDAY.

United Kingdom, for newspapers to be forwarded wholly by sea and prepaid at the rate of 1d per 10oz or fraction thereof for each newspaper.—Orient Royal Mail Packet Orsova, 9.30 a.m.

Port Macquarie.—Wauchope, 11 a.m.

Macleay River, Port Macquarie, Byron Bay, and Coff's Harbour, via Newcastle.—Cavanba, noon.

Wellington, etc., N.Z. (direct).—Moana, 1 p.m.

Monte Video, Buenos Ayres, Chili, and Rio Janeiro, via Wellington.—Moana and Tongariro, 1 p.m.

Melbourne (direct).—Cooma, 1 p.m.

Nelson's Bay and Tea Gardens.—Karuah, 2 p.m.

Nambucca Heads and Macksville.—Nerong, 4 p.m.

Richmond River.—Brundah, 7 p.m.

Clarence River.—Kyogle, 8 p.m.

Western Australia, via Adelaide and Albany.—Hobart, 9.30 p.m.

Strahan, Zeehan, and North-west Coast of Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Oonah, 9.30 p.m.

VICTORIAN GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Two opening rounds of the amateur golf championship of Victoria were played at Sandringham. Heavy rain started at midnight on Wednesday and fell the greater part of to-day. In the afternoon the wind came up, and at times the gusts were of hurricane force. The principal returns were:—

	1st round.	2nd round.	Total.
M. Scott	83	83	166
C. Pearce	84	82	166
B. Pearce	81	86	167
Capt. O. S. Gilliat	84	84	168
A. R. Lempriere	87	82	169
D. M. Morgan	84	88	172
H. Morrison	85	88	173
C. Felstead	94	81	175
F. B. Waters	89	86	175
A. Gallacher	94	82	176
S. Brentnall	88	89	177
J. W. Trumble	86	92	177
N. E. Brookes	90	88	178

There were eight other competitors whose totals ranged from 180 to 190.

FLOOD RAINS COMING.

THE METEOROLOGIST'S WARNING.

"There is a promise of general rains with some flood falls during the next day or two. More floods are inevitable in Victoria and New South Wales inland rivers, more particularly in the tributaries of the Murray and Murrumbidgee."

This warning was issued yesterday by the Federal Meteorologist, and the new storm, which is travelling from the westward, is expected to make its appearance very shortly in our far western districts.

More light to moderate rains have fallen in the north-eastern corner of this State, and at scattered places in the southern districts. The only records exceeding a quarter of an inch were:—

	Points.		Points.
Byron Bay	46	Murrumburrah	27
Cootamundra	30	Tweed Heads	42
Gundagai	62		

FEDERAL ELECTION CANDIDATES.

ARMIDALE, Thursday.

The election of a candidate to represent New England at the forthcoming Federal election in the Liberal and Reform interests resulted in Mr. W. M. Fleming being chosen.

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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

STOCKS AND SHARES.

A good amount of business was effected on 'Change yesterday at firm and not materially altered rates. Bank of New South Wales shares rose 5/, A.J.S. "B" Deposits /6, Queensland National Deposits eased /1½, Standard Waygood rose /9, and Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, contg., /3, other sales being at late rates.

The following sales were reported:—Morning: Goodlet and Smith, 17/9; Mont de Piete, 41/6; Queensland National, Inscribed Deposits, 17/6; Sargents, Limited, 20/; Bank of New South Wales, £49/10/; Tooth and Co., 44/; Standard Waygood, paid, 25/; W. H. Soul, Pattinson, and Co., 50/; Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, contg., 11/3. Afternoon: A.J.S. Bank "B" deposits, 11/9; Commercial Banking Company of Sydney, £30; Wickham Coal, ordinary, 12/3; Dalgety and Co., £6.

Closing quotations were:—

Company.	Amount of Shares.	Shares Paid Up.	Last Div. Per Annum.	Price. Last Sale.	Buyer.	Seller.	†Yield to Investor.
STOCKS.							
N.S.W., F. S., due 1912	..	..	3	85½	84½	85½	3½
Do., due 1912	..	..	3½	97½	96	..	3¾
Do., due 1912	..	..	4	100½	100½	100¾	3¾
Do., due 1924-5	..	..	3	90½	90½	..	3½
Do., due 1915	..	..	3½	98½	..	99½	3¾
Do., due 1921	..	..	3½	97	96	98	3¾
Do., due 1923	..	..	3½	98½	98½	..	3½
Do., due 1909	..	..	4	100	100	..	4
Do., Act 1873	..	..	4	106	..	108	3¾
Do., Debentures	..	..	4	..	107	109	3¾
Do. T. Bls. 1911	..	..	3½	99½	98	..	3¾
Ditto, 1910	..	..	4	100	100	101	4
N.Z. Deb., 1922	..	..	4	100	..	..	4
Ditto, 1921	..	..	4	101	99	102	3¾
Q. Deb., 1915	..	..	4	101½	..	101	3¾
Ditto, T. Bills	..	..	4	100½	100½	..	3¾
Aus. Gas. D., '22	..	..	4	101½	101	..	3¾
City Syd. Deb.	..	..	4	102	101	..	3¾
Col. Sugar, D. '14	..	..	5	106	105	..	3¾
BANKS.							
Australasia	40	40	14	112½	112	..	4¾
Bank of N. Q.	2	2	5	40/	..	41/	5
City of Sydney	8	8	3	65/	70/	..	7¼
Ditto, new	10	8	3	60/	63/	..	8
Com. of Aus.	10	10	..	10/	9/	..	..
Ditto, pref.	10	10	3	5/14/3	5/9/	5/13/	5¼
Com. of Sydney	25	12½	10	30	30	..	4¼
Nat. Aus., ord.	8	5	5	5/8/N.	5¼	..	4¾
Ditto, pref.	10	10	3	12N.	12	..	2½
N.S.W.	20	20	10	49½	49½	49¼	4
New Zealand	6¼	3¾	12½	9/1/	9	9¼	4
Q'land National	5	2	..	18/	16/6	18/	..
Royal of Q.	9	6½	4½	5/1/	5	..	5¾
Union	25	25	14	65	65	..	5¾
DEPOSITS.							
A.J.S. Bank—Class B.	..	..	3	11/9	11/6	12	5
Class B., 1917	..	..	3	11/6	11/6	..	5¼
Class B., 1912	..	..	3	13/	11/6	..	4¾
Ditto, Inscr.	..	..	3½	11/	11/6	..	6¾
Com. of Aus. Assets	..	..	3	17/9	17/6	..	3¾
E. S. and A. Inscr., pref.	..	..	3	12/7½	12/3	..	4¾
Ditto, def.	..	..	4½	17/7½	17/6	..	5
Ditto, Deb.	..	..	4	17/6	17/3	..	4¾
Q'land National	..	..	3½	17/6	17/3	17/7½	4
STEAM.							
Nd. N. Ferry	1	1	10	32/9	32/6	32/9	6
B. Smith, ord. paid	1	1	15	46/9	46/6	47/3	6½
Ditto, pref., pd.	1	1	5	21/	21/3	..	4¾
Illawarra	1	15	7	19/6	17/6	19/9	5¾
Newcastle	1	1	6	22/6	22/	24/	5
North Coast	1	17/6	8	25/6	25/3	25/9	5¾
Port Jackson	1	15/	10	51/6	52/	52/6	2¾
Sydney Ferries	1	1	12½	66/	66/	67/	3¾
Union of N.Z.	1	1	8	34/	34/3	34/9	4¾
Adelaide S'ship	1	1	7½	..	37/	..	..
INSURANCE.							
A. M. Fire	1	15/	14	45/	44/6	..	4¾
Fid. Mutual	1	1	20½	60/9	..	61	6¾
Mer. Mutual	1	6/	15½	17/6	17/3	17/9	5¼
New Zealand‡	10	2	10	78/	..	78/	5¼
Queensland	1	10/	8	18/3	17/6	19/	4¾
United	10	2½	2½	5¼	5¼	5¾	4¾
GAS.							
Albury	1	12/6	10	22/6	21/6	..	5¾
Australian	6	6	15	19½	19½	19½	4¾
Do., new issue	6	3	15	11½	11½	11½	3¾
Charters Towers	10/	10/	10	14/9	..	30/	6¾
Goulburn	1	1	15	58/6	58/6	..	5¾
Grafton	1	1	8	32/	31/	..	5
Kat., Laura	1	1	5	24/	21/	..	4
Maitland	5	5	8	8¼	8¼	..	4¾
Manly	1	1	9½	48/	46/	..	3¾
Do., contg.	1	15/	9½	23/	38/	40/	5¼
Mudgee	1	1	7	25/	24/	..	5¾
Newcastle	2	2	15	7¼	6¼	7¼	4¾
North Shore	1	1	8	41/3	41/	..	3¾
New issue	1	5/	..	23/6	..	24/	..
South Brisbane	10/	10/	10	..	21/	..	..
Ditto, pref.	10/	7/	10	..	..	..	..
BREWERIES.							
C. and W. Bros.	1	1	4	10/3	10/3	..	7¾
Pastime?	15/	15/	20	27/6	26/	..	8
Toohey's	16	16	5	13/	13/	13/3	6
Tooth's	1	1	10	44/	43/9	44/	4½
MISCELLANEOUS.							
Acme? Ex. Htl.	15/	10/	5	5/6	5/	6/	8¼
A. Taylor Co.	1	1	10	27/3	27/3	..	7¼
Aus. Nat. Mills	1	1	10	..	26/	..	..
Aus. Newspaper	1	1	..	8/	8/6	..	..
Ditto, pref.	1	1	8	10/	11/	15/	10
B.H. W. Supply	15	15/	10	17/	16/	18/	8½
Burns, Philp	1	1	10	41/6	42/	44/	4¾
Ditto, 10/ paid	1	10/	10	24/	22/	24/	4
Col. Sugar	20	20	10	49½	49½	..	4¾
Dalgety Co.	20	5	7	6	6	6¼	6¼
Dunl. R., pref.	1	1	10	31/	..	30/	6¾
Ditto, ord.	1	1	9	..	..	20/3	..
Emu B. Rail.	1	1	..	4/10½	1/8	2/8	..
Emu F.G. R.M.	1	16/	9½	18/6	18/6	20/	8
E. Rich Co.	1	1	8	14/6	12/3	13/3	5¾
Goodlet, Smith	15/	15/	8	17/9	17/7½	17/9	6¾
Htl. Metropole	1	1	7	27/	25/6	..	5
Ditto, pref.	1	1	6	1/1/3	22/	..	5¾
H. McKenzie	1	1	7	19/3	..	17/6	7
Ditto, pref.	1	1	10	19/6	19/6	..	10
H. Clark Co.	1	1	8	25/	24/9	..	6¼
Ditto, pref.	10	10	6	10½	10	..	5¾
Melb. Trams	1	10/	20	39/1½	41/	43/	5¼
Mont de Piete	1	1	10	41/6	41/	42/6	4¾
Mort's Dock	1	1	6	20/	21/6	23/	6
Ditto, pref.	1	1	6	23/	22/	..	5¼
N.S.W. F.F.I.	12/	10/	6	11/10	11/7½	11/10½	5
Paul and Gray	1	1	10	25/6	23/	25/6	7¾
Perp. Trust	10	5/	10	12/7½	..	12/9	3¾
Perm. Trust	5	2/8	10	5/2	5/2	5/4	7¼
Pitt, Son, Badg	1	11/	10	20/	19/6	20/6	5¾
Q. Meat Ex.	1	1	3	..	20/6	..	..
R. and Wrench	1	1	5	..	13/9	15/	..
Sargent's, Ltd.	1	1	10	20/	20/9	20/3	6¼
Silv. Trams	1	1	40	92/	92/	93/	8¾
Syd. Cyclorama	1	1	5	15/6	16/	18/	6¾
Sydney Exch.	10	10	6	£12/5/	12¼	..	4¾
Syd. Hydraulic	1	1	10	25/	25/6	24/	8
Ditto, con.	1	10/	10	12/3	11/6	12/	8
S. Hy. and G.E.	1	15/	12½	23/6	22/6	24/6	7¾
W. H. Soul	1	1	15	50/	49/	51/	6
Wright, Heaton	2½	2½	..	..	50/	..	..
Stan. Waygood	1	1	..	24/3	24/6	25/	..
Ditto, contg.	1	10/	..	11/	13/	14/	..
R. H. Gordon	1	1	..	..	21/	21/	..
H. Jones, Devlin	1	1	7	22/6	22/	..	6¼
Ditto, contg.	1	10/	7	11/3	11/	11/6	6¼
Perdriau, A.	1	1	10	30/	30/	31/	6¾
Ditto, B.	1	1	10	..	30/	31/	..
Wunderlich	1	1	8	..	..	25/	..
Ditto, pref.	1	1	7	..	..	..	..
LAND and BD.							
Com. B. and I.	16	16	..	..	..	2/6	..
Haymarket	..	..	..	..	22/	..	..
Indus. Prov.	20	20	8	18	17	19	6¾
Inter. Inv.	1	15/	12½	22/6	20/	22/6	5¾
S. Aus. L.M.	7	1	5	..	10/	..	..
COAL.							
Bellambi	1	1	17½	80/	40/	50/	7
Caledonia	10	10	10	12½	12½	13	7
East Greta	1	1	10	28/3	28/3	28/6	7
Hebden Greta	1	1	..	5/	5/	..	..
Hetton	5	5	6	70/	71/	75/	8½
Metrop., 1 pref.	1	1	8	21/6	21/	..	7¼
Ditto, 2 pref.	1	1	5	13/3	13/	13/6	7½
Ditto, Trust	..	..	..	..	/6	1/6	..
Mt. Kembla	10	10	16	24½	24	..	7
Newcastle	11	10	5	7¼	6¼	7¼	7
North Bulli	1	1	10	30/	..	30/	6¾
South Greta	10	10/	..	12/4½	11/9	..	..
Stockton	1	1	..	1/	..	1/	..
Vale of Clywdd	1	1	10	35/	..	33/	5¾
Wallsend	10	10	20	27	26½	27½	7¼
Waratah	6	..	..	..	2/	..	..
W. and B. In.	1	1	..	12/8	12/	12/6	..
Ditto, new	1	18/	..	10/	10/	..	..
Ditto, pref.	1	1	..	36/	35/	37/6	..
Abermain	1	18/6	..	..	30/	..	..

† Where dividends are interim the yield is based on a year's distribution, otherwise on the last half-yearly one. * Plus annual payments of 10/8 per cent. ‡ Ex dividend.

pected that if the present trade be maintained the depression and its accompanying unemployment difficulty will steadily disappear. The figures show that, compared with the corresponding six months of 1908, exports are higher in value by £1,541,461, while imports are less by £558,663, making a total improvement of £2,100,124. During the first half of this year exports and imports were:—

SUBSTANTIAL EXCESS OF EXPORTS.

Exports	£12,292,444
Imports	6,783,882
Excess of exports	£5,508,562

As compared with this, the excess of exports over imports in the first half of last year was only £1,760,522, as given officially; but even these figures fail to show the real improvement, because, owing to lower prices being realised than were anticipated for wool, the actual value of exports was lower by many hundreds of thousands of pounds. Taking the full years ended June 30, we find that exports have increased and imports decreased in a quite extraordinary manner. Thus:—

	Exports.	Imports.
1907-8	£16,751,385	£17,736,308
1908-9	18,558,307	16,535,018

How the increase in exports is distributed will be seen from the following:—

	1907-8.	1908-9
Wool and sheepskins	£6,247,882	£6,575,802
Frozen meat	3,195,048	3,775,990
Gold	2,129,042	1,944,652
Butter and cheese	1,804,765	2,469,195
Hemp	539,712	282,084
Tallow	475,800	625,257
Kauri gum	402,688	466,050
Timber	641,548	855,633
Grain and grainstuffs	57,110	426,990
Other New Zealand produce	1,106,679	1,219,990
Re-exports	295,252	167,808
Specie	5,746	249,028
Totals	£16,751,385	£18,558,307

Of course the great improvement shown in the past half-year can hardly be maintained during the next six months, because the early part of the 12-month is the heavy exporting time, while imports are always higher from June to December. But such an unusually good start has been made that there is every indication of satisfactory returns for the current calendar year, particularly as it appears that the community has determined to trade more within its income than has been the case for some time.

WITHDRAWAL OF LIGHT COINS.

There is no doubt that the scheme for the withdrawal of light coins in this State has worked out disappointingly, owing to the indisposition on the part of some of the banks to face the loss where the coins were below the minimum fixed by the mint authorities. Reference is made to the cleaning up of the coinage in the annual report of the Royal Mint, just received. From this report it would seem that Sydney branch exercised its authority to withdraw light coins to the nominal value of £136,424, and Melbourne to the nominal value of £222,405. The gross issue of the mint as a whole of £14,600,000 worth of gold coinage has been reduced by the withdrawal of light gold coins to the nominal value of £3,300,000, the value of the deficiency in the weight of which was £35,231. This shows an increase of £600,000 over the £2,700,000 worth of light gold coins withdrawn in 1907; and the percentage of the value of coins weighed at the Bank of England accepted as light shows an increase from 3.94 in 1907 to 4.53 in 1908 in the case of sovereigns, and from 17.58 in 1907 to 18.23 in 1908 in the case of half-sovereigns. The withdrawal of light coins, however small may be its effect upon the total number in circulation, is one of the ultimate foundations of the standard of the currency, and any increase in the percentage accepted as light is a healthy sign.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

We have received Supplement No. 4 of the Customs Tariff Guide.

For the decade ended December 31, 1840, the population of Australia increased at the rate of 10.52 per cent. per annum.

During the decade ended December 31, 1900, the increase per annum was only 1.80 per cent.

Since Federation the increase has diminished to 1.60 per cent. per annum.

By her immigration policy New South Wales has gained 42,860 during the last eight years.

In the same period Western Australia gained 53,020, chiefly at the expense of the other States.

Victoria in the period lost 46,966 of her people, who trekked across the border into this State or went west.

Significantly enough, Queensland, though endeavouring to attract immigrants, lost 8056 of her people through excess of departures over arrivals in the last eight years.

The net result, taking the Commonwealth as a whole, has been an increase of only 31,818 for the period through excess of immigrants.

In the same space of time the natural increase was 478,149; so that from the two causes there has been an increase in the population of the Commonwealth of 509,967.

The above figures are worth pondering over, especially in view of the fact that the increase in the population of China alone in a single year is in excess of the whole of the population of the Commonwealth.

COMMERCIAL.

THE MARKETS.

Bulk transactions were few, but general distributing business was reported good. Cornsacks were easier, both in Calcutta and on spot. The country was buying fairly well. Branbags, on the other hand, suddenly advanced in Calcutta, and the spot market was firmer in sympathy. Woolpacks were selling a trifle easier. Immediate demand was not very brisk, and the stocks coming forward in the Hymettus are heavy. New salmon quotations were expected to be available in about a week. Spot stocks have been gradually reduced, and there will probably not be much to carry over into the new season. The earlier expectations that new season's prices would be lower will scarcely be realised. No prices were through for new herrings. Of these, however, there are plenty still on spot. Sardines are also fairly plentiful, though holdings are not very distributed. Wires and nettings were firm on both sides of the water. The position of galvanised iron continued to excite interest. Quotations seemed steadier for the time being. Among oils, linseed was very firm, some holders insisting on 3/4 for first brands raw. Turpentine was also very firm. The better grades of resin were practically unprocurable on spot. Wheat and flour were unchanged. In the general produce markets Melbourne potatoes were weaker. Butter was also weaker. Chaff was firm.

BREADSTUFFS.

The breadstuffs market was lifeless. London was firmer, but on spot values were without alteration. Nominally wheat was worth 4/11 to 5/, according to position and parcel. New crop was not quoted at all, but probably 3/11½ to 4/ would have been given for it.

Flour was as before. Melbourne flour was quoted in the market at a substantial discount on Sydney association price of £11/10/ for best brands.

At Darling Harbour yesterday 181 tons of wheat and 28 tons of flour were manifested to arrive.

WHEAT LOADINGS AND STACKS.

The wheat despatches from country stations for the week ended August 14 totalled 9079 bags—6119 bags being from the southern, 1145 from the western, and 2715 from the northern line. At the same date 184,029 bags remained in the stacks, distributed as follows:—

Station.	No. of bags.	Station.	No. of bags.
Temora	11,101	Ganmain	2,234
Gidginbung	3,005	Berrigan	10,082
Lockhart	13,972	Finley	387
Henty	8,084	Parkes	8,179
Culcairn	1,719	Cowra	2,998
Germanton	5,808	Greenthorpe	5,910
Brocklesby	10,285	Manilla	2,022
Balldale	1,015	Darling Island	68,174
Corowa	16,828		
Coolamon	10,856	Total	184,029

At August 15 last year the stacks comprised 321,899 large bags, and the year before 420,157 large bags.

THE PRICE OF FLOUR.

Mr. H. G. Wise, of Wise Bros., Limited, writes:—"Regarding the article under Breadstuffs in your issue of the 17th, following on Mr. Edwin Davey's comments, we, too, would be interested to know how a manufacturing profit can be made by millers with wheat at 5/ (especially of the qualities this year), and offals at £4/15/ per ton, on a selling price for flour at £11 per ton. If, with wheat at 5/, a good manufacturing profit can be made under surroundings, how with wheat purchased above that? Some profit would still be shown is the inference from the further passage in the article.

"We, too, have been about 42 years at the trade, and, taking the foregoing as a basis of argument, there have been times in the ordinary trade so very much better that most of the present millers should have retired with a competence long ago. How many have done so? It would be interesting to know."

[To show how a manufacturing profit could be made on flour at £11 per ton, and bran at £4/15/ per ton, would be to enter upon an undesirable discussion in public of the private business of millers. If, however, Mr. Davey or Mr. Wise is wishful for such exercises, they might both enlighten and interest the public, not so much by demonstrating that there is no profit on £11 flour and £4/15/ bran with wheat at 5/, but by showing what justification there was for a quotation of £12/10/ for flour when the wheat that millers were grinding had not cost them, on the average, more than, say, 4/6! (In the case of more than one miller we might even put the average lower.) True, no flour to speak of sold at £12/10/; but then it is likewise true that no wheat to speak of was bought at 5/4½, and not very much at 5/, whereas a great deal was bought in the vicinity of 4/. Even where millers did buy dear their dear purchases were not sufficiently great to seriously advance their average. That flour was not bought at £11/10/ per ton is not the fault of the association, which for a considerable period stood ready to do business at that price. Looking at the matter from a purely outside point of view, it seemed to us that there was a wider margin between the millers' average quotation for flour and the average quotation for wheat in Sydney than in either Melbourne or Adelaide, and, incidentally, we suggested that it was an unwise thing for an association to strain quotations for a staple breadstuff like flour. It we are wrong in the broad statement of the position, we shall be happy to give the Millers' Association an opportunity to make an official correction.]

WORLD'S WHEAT POSITION.

In view of the recent fluctuations in the London market, the following, from "Beerbohm's" of July 16, is interesting:—"The market continues to show much firmness, which may be taken as a sure sign that immediate supplies are insufficient for the actual demand, because millers do not pay 45/ or 50/ per quarter for wheat unless they actually need it. The remainder of this present season seems likely to be passed on much the same lines; all the wheat forthcoming will be wanted, and perhaps badly wanted, if the weather do not soon change for the better. The possibility naturally remains that the harvest in England, France, and Germany may be very late; in such a case the immediate demand for foreign wheat would be simply enormous, and the whole sentiment of the trade would undergo a complete change. That sentiment at present is that, under ordinary harvest conditions, there must come a period before Christmas when the desire to sell at such attractive prices as now obtain, will overcome the necessity to buy, and a more moderate level of prices ensue. As we have already pointed out, however, the general exhaustion of stocks should lead to a continuous and active demand for new wheat as soon as it becomes available, so that the big discount in prices indicated by "option" prices seems to us to be hardly justified. On the broader question of the level of prices in the coming season, as a whole, it is, of course, obvious that this will depend upon the outturn of the year's crops. For two years in succession the world has produced far less wheat than has been required to feed the world's bread-eaters; and the reserves left over from previous more favoured years have been drawn upon to meet the deficiency; to such an extent has this process of draining upon reserve stocks been carried on that it is a common and well-founded belief, we think, that no further drain upon them is possible. This is, of course, speaking in a general way. The result is that the world's wheat-eaters will, in the coming season, have to exist upon the coming crop. What that crop must amount to in order to meet the ordinary demands upon it is shown, to some extent, by the following record of the world's wheat production in the past seven years:—

THE WORLD'S WHEAT PRODUCTION.

	Qrs.		Qrs.
1908	390,400,000	1903	404,585,000
1907	395,175,000	1902	395,000,000
1906	432,000,000		
1905	414,735,000	Average	404,300,000
1904	392,600,000		

The average, it will be seen, is 404,000,000qrs., but the amount actually consumed is far greater than this, because it is quite obvious that practically all the reserve stocks have been swallowed up during the past two years; we estimate, therefore, that the actual average consumption during these seven years was not far below 410,000,000 qrs., and that the world's needs for the forthcoming season will not be less than 425,000,000 qrs. The world's wheat production in 1909 has, therefore, to exceed 425,000,000qrs., if the present high level of prices is to be seriously lowered in 1909/10. It is not easy to form a reliable opinion just yet, but it must be confessed that the signs do not point to the total production much exceeding the average of the past seven years, as shown above."

GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

TEA.

Private cables advised a further advance of 1 to 2 cents for common brokens at Wednesday's sale in Colombo. Freights there were short, and likely to be until the Calcutta boats called in. Business on spot was quiet. Buyers were standing off the high prices, but holders, on the other hand, were more disposed to insist on full valuations.

EASTERN PRODUCE.

Rice: Best Japan, £22 to £22/5/ per ton; Rangoon, £9/10/ in bond; locally dressed, £18/10/ to £20/10/ per ton in 56lb bags.

Sago: £12 per ton in parcels; £12/10/ in small lots.

Tapioca: Medium pearl, £13 per ton in parcels; 13/6 to 14/ per cwt. in small lots.

Pearl Barley: £14/5/, in parcels; £14/10/ in 56lb bags.

Split Peas: £16/10/ in sacks; 5/ extra in 56's.

Seeds: Canary, £19 per ton in parcels; 20/ per cwt. in small lots. Hemp, 21/ in parcels. Rape, 23/ to 23/6 per cwt. Linseed, 18/ per cwt. in small lots; ton lots, £16/10/. Mixed birdseed, 20/6 per cwt.; white millet, £13.

Spices: Cloves, 1/ per lb; nutmegs, /9 in case lots, /10 to 1/ smaller quantities; mace, 2/ per lb; pimento, /8½ to /9 per lb; carraway seeds, /9 per lb. Pure white pepper, /9½ to /10 per lb; mixed, /7; black, /8½ per lb; mixed, /6. Stick cinnamon, 1/3 per lb.

Oatmeal: 7lb bags, £19/10/ per ton; flaked, 7lb bags, £20/10/ to £21; 2lb packets, 5/ per doz.; rolled oats, 5lb bags, £21 to £28 per ton, according to brand; in 2lb cartons, £25 to £33 per ton, according to brand.

Whole bleached ginger, in 10lb packets, /7½ to /8 per lb; ground ginger, /8 to /8½.

JUTE.

New standard cornsacks, 4/10½ to 4/11, spot and August-September; October, 4/9; old standard ditto, 7/9 delivered.

Branbags, 3/3.

Woolpacks, 1/11½.

Ore packers, 2/6 to 2/7 for 16oz and 3/4 to 3/5 for 20oz spot.

CHEMICALS.

Rosin: "G" grade, £10/10/ spot.

Cream of tartar: Parcels, /8; in parcels, /8½; small lots, for 95 per cent.; /9 to /9½ for 99 per cent.

Citric acids: 1/4½, in parcels.

Tartaric crystals: /10½; powdered, /10½.

Bluestone: Macclesfield, parcels, £23 to £23/10/.

Borax: Powder, £19/10/; crystals, £18/10/, in parcels.

Strychnine: 2/4½ to 2/5.

Flowers of sulphur: Parcels, £7/15/ to £8.

Carbide: From £12/15/ to £13/10/, in parcels, according to description.

Sodas: Bicarbonate (Brunner Mond), £7/10/, 3's, in parcels; caustic, Muspratt's, in parcels, £14 spot, £12/17/6 to arrive; Greenbank's, in parcels, £15, £13/17/6 to arrive; silicate soda, liquid, £6/10/ for parcels, lump, £8 parcels, to £8/10/ small lots; soda in ash, £7/15/ in 5's and 10's, and £8 in 3's.

Glucose: Liquid, £24, duty paid.

Whiting: 65/.

OILS.

Kerosene (per gallon): Snowflake, ex store Sydney and Newcastle, /7 per gallon; engine kerosene, /7½ to /8½.

Motor car spirits: 1/5½ 4-gallon tins, 1/7½ 2-gallon tins.

Linseed oil (per gallon): First brands, raw 3/3½, double-boiled 3/5½; second brands, raw 3/2½, boiled 3/5½; local, 2/1½ raw in casks, 2/1 in drums.

Turpentine (per gallon): Pratt's, 3/6 to 3/7; Pinetree, 3/5 to 3/6 in distributing lots.

Olive: Italian, pure, 12/ per gallon, duty paid.

Castor: Spot, 2/10 in cases, 3/ in drums.

China: Pure, 4/8; denaturated (under Customs supervision), 2/8 (in 4's) and 3/ (in 1's).

Cottonseed: Shanghai 4/10½, American winter drawn 5/; denaturated, 2/10 (in 4's), 3/ (in 1's and 2's).

Rapeseed: No. 1, 3/3; refined, 3/6. Colza: Recognised brands, 4/ to 4/6; in gallon tins.

Japanese Fish: No. 1 Yokohama herring, 1/6 on spot, £16 to arrive; No. 2 Kobe, none on spot, £15/15/ to arrive; No. 3 ordinary fish, 1/4 per gallon net.

Whale: Special pl. refined, 2/; Polar, 2/1.

Cod: Norwegian, 2/3; Newfoundland, 2/2.

Creosote: Pure, 2/ per gallon in casks, 2/3 in drums.

Whitelead: First brands, in cwts, £29 to £29/10/ per ton; in quarters, £30; second brands, in cwts, from £27 to £28 in load lots.

Redlead: First brands, £27/10/ (in cwts); second brands, £26; quarters, 10/ more.

Zinc, white: Australian, dry, £25 per ton, in parcels; 26/6 per cwt, in small lots, net. Best English brands, ground in oil, extra white (Ferguson's) £45 to (Hubbuck's) £46 per ton.

Neatsfoot: Pure, 2/6 cask, 2/9 to 3/ drum; compound, 2/ to 2/3.

Stockholm Tar: Local, 5/6; in drums, load lots, smaller quantities, 5/9; local, 40-gallon casks, 38/; imported, 32-gallon casks, 38/; 40-gallon casks, 45/.

Woolmarking oil: Black, Australian, 2/; English, 3/4 to 3/6, according to brand and quality.

Flyblown sheep oil: Australian, 2/3, for distributing lots.

Oleine: 40-gallon casks, £23 per ton, net.

Rosin oil: £18/10/ per ton.

METALS.

Fencing wires:—

Black German, ex store, No. 8 £8/7/6, No. 10 £8/15/ to £8/17/6; American, No. 8 £8/10/, No. 10 £8/17/6.

Galvanised: German, No. 8 £9/15/, No. 10 £10; American, No. 8 £10, No. 10 £10/5/.

Barbed: Australian, 12-gauge £14/10/, 14-gauge £16; special 12-gauge £16/15/, 14-gauge £18/5/; German, £14/5/ and £15/15/; American Iowa, No. 12 £15, No. 14 £16/5/; long-distance English, £17/7/6 and £18/15/, for 12 and 14 gauges respectively.

G. C. iron: First brands £17/17/6, second brands £17/7/6, third brands £17, in 8ft lengths; in 9ft lengths 15/ more; 10ft lengths, 30/ more than 8ft.

Plain G. iron, 24, 26, and 28 gauge, first brands, £17/2/6, £18/7/6, and £19/2/6; 10/ less for second brands.

Bar iron: £10/15/ in ton lots; shoeing iron, £11/15/; shoeing steel, 12/ to 12/6 per cwt.

Sheet lead: £17/10/ in full rolls; sheet zinc, £29 to £29/10/.

Wire nettings: 42 x 1½ x 17, Australian, A grade £28/17/6, B £26/17/6; English, A £27/7/6 to £28/10/, B £26; German, best heavy £28 to £28/10/, B £26. 42 x 1¼ x 18, Australian, £21/17/6; English, A £21/10/; German, £21/15/. 36 x 1¼ x 18, Australian £19/15/; English, A grade £21, B £17/15/ to £18; German, A £21, B £18. 36 x 1½ x 18, Australian £16, English and German £15/15/.

Piping: Black, 75 off list; galvanised, 66½; steam, 62½ per cent. off list.

Guttering and downpiping: 40 to 45 per cent. off list.

Wire nails: 5 to 7½ per cent. off list, according to parcel.

Tinplates: I.C. coke, 20 x 14, 14/9 spot, 14/7½ to arrive; 28 x 20, 21/; I.C. charcoal, 17/3.

Plaster: King's Windsor, spot, 15/9 to 16/.

Axe handles: Standard brands, 11/3 to 11/9; second brands, from 8/; leading brands pickhandles, 12/9; /6 extra for broken stock.

Axes: Kelly's, 42/ to 44/, according to size; Collins', 44/ to 45/, according to size.

Shovels and picks: No. 5 navvy shovels, 38/ to 40/; 7lb road picks, 32/ to 40/, according to grade.

Rabbit traps: Griffith's, 10/3 to 10/6 in tank lots; 10/6 to 10/9 broken stock; Sidebotham's, 5/6.

Sheep shears: Standard brands, 35/6 to 34/.

Cartridges: 12-inch C.F., 72/6; 22 calibre R.F., black powder, 12/3 short, 14/9 long; smokeless, 14/3 to 16/9.

Explosives: Dynamite, 43/6; gelignite, 41/; gelatine dynamite, 50/6; blasting gelatine, 55/6 per case of 50lb; ordinary blasting powder, /6½ per lb. Fuse, first brands, double-tape, /9 per coil, in cases of 300 coils; second brands, /6 per coil.

Quicksilver: 2/8 per lb, in bottles.

The amount of wool manifested to arrive at Darling Harbour yesterday totalled 1077 bales.

LONDON MARKET CABLES.

SILVER.

LONDON, Aug. 18, 3.25 p.m.

Bar silver is quoted to-day 1/11¼ per ounce standard.

Aug. 19, 4.5 a.m.

METALS.

Yesterday's closing quotations were:—

Copper, spot, b £59/11/3, s £59/16/3; three months, b £61/10/, s £60/15/.

Tin, spot, b £136/7/6, s £136/17/6; three months, £137/12/6, s £138/2/6.

Lead, soft foreign, b £12/10/, s £12/11/3.

VISIBLE AMERICAN WHEAT.

The visible supplies of American wheat and flour east of the Rockies is estimated by "Bradstreets" at the equivalent of 16,891,000 bushels of wheat.

LONDON TALLOW MARKET.

Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Ltd., Sydney, have received the following cable from their London office, under yesterday's date:—"Prices have declined /6 per cwt since our last report. Quotations as follow: Fair to good mutton tallow at from 31/6 to 32/ per cwt.; beef at from 30/6 to 31/ per cwt."

INTERSTATE MARKETS.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Wheat was rather dull. Business was done at 4/7½ to arrive at mill siding, but for good-sized parcels holders quote 4/8 to 4/8½. Flour was quiet at £11/5/ for local consumption; 200 tons were sold for shipment to the East. All business was done in good malting barley at 3/9. Good pearling barley was sold at 2/6; English feed 2/4 to 2/5; Cape malting 2/6 to 2/8; feed, Cape, 2/3 to 2/5. Oats were dull; good Algerian milling were quoted at 1/9½, and occasionally 1/10; feed at 1/9¼ and 1/8½. Maize was dull at 3/7½ to 3/8. Hand-threshed dun peas brought 4/8 to 4/9. Chaff was steady; wheaten was quoted at 55/ to 65/, oaten 50/ to 55/. Manger hay was quoted at 70/ to 85/, manger sheaves 50/ to 55/, chaffing sheaves 40/ to 47/6, Victorian straw 30/ to 35/, Tasmanian 57/6 to 60/.

Business in potatoes was entirely at a standstill, and quotations were purely nominal. Onions were quiet; prime well-graded sold up to £7, good down to £6.

Butter was quiet, and rather weak in tone. The Victorian production shows a further substantial increase; choice western brands were unchanged at 1/1, other prime at 1/ to 1/0½, medium to fair 10d to 11½d, a little stored butter selling at 9½d to 10½d, but supplies are now practically cleared up. Eggs were quoted at 11½d, private lines at 11¾d to 1/, new-laid up to 1/1.

Tea continues in good demand, the business including 300 packages of Ceylon, to arrive, up to 8½d, 300 packages Indian, to arrive, up to 10d, and small sales of China. Moderate business was done in preserved ginger. Tinned herrings are in good distributing demand. Cornsacks were quoted at 4/11½ to 5/. Business for forward delivery was quiet at 4/10½. Branbags were quoted at 3/5 on spot, woolpacks at 2/0½ on spot, and to arrive. Cement shows more steadiness, stock being more moderate than for some little time.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

The turnover in the produce market was small, there being only one or two commodities which met any improvement on the previous day's quiet operations. The chief of these was chaff. The light deliveries at auction did not supply the buyers with all their requirements. They were eager to secure choice samples of wheaten cuts, and any of this description made satisfactory sales at firm late prices. Retailers did not inquire after potatoes, and the market was undecided, pending the result of the Premiers' Conference in Melbourne. The recent shipments of Melbourne potatoes were not moving off with the satisfaction that was expected, and for the best descriptions it was very difficult to get beyond £7. The Melbourne market for potatoes was dull, as the market is glutted. Choice Tasmanian reds were selling there on Tuesday at 60/ to 70/, and limited business was done in Victorian Carmens at £5, and Redskins at 92/6. The big prices which are now offering in Sydney is a magnetic attraction to farmers, and the extent to which they are taking advantage of them can be seen from the following figures, which show the weekly deliveries at the Redfern railway yards for the last three months, together with the prices which were obtained there on the dates specified:—

Week ending	Bags.	Price. Per ton.	Week ending	Bags.	Price. Per ton.
June 1	1705	£4	July 13	3507	£5/15/
June 8	1782	£4/10/	July 20	5940	£5
June 15	1639	£4/3/4	July 27	3795	£4/13/4
June 22	1628	£4/11/8	Aug. 3	2398	£4/15/
June 29	2772	£6/5/	Aug. 10	6644	£8/16/8
July 6	3112	£4/6/8	Aug. 17	8630	£7/6/8

Maize was quiet, small business being put through at 4/ for prime dry yellow. There were one or two holders who were anxious to secure /1 more for their stocks. Lucerne was selling well, with light supplies coming to hand. Peas, oats, and barley were without special movement.

Current quotations were:—

FEED-GRAIN AND OFFAL MARKET.

Maize.—Northern River: Prime dry yellow, 4/; white, 3/10 to 3/11 per bus.

Barley.—Cape, seed 3/ to 3/3, feed 3/1 per bus. English: Feed, 3/ per bus.

Peas.—Blue, prime 6/; grey, 5/ to 5/3 per bus.

Oats.—Tasmanian: White, 2/7 to 2/8. Algerian: Milling, 2/5, seed 2/6 per bus.

Bran.—£4/15/ per ton, /11½ per bushel; pollard, £4/15/ per ton, /11½ per bushel.

FORAGE MARKET.

Chaff.—Adelaide: Prime wheaten £4/7/6 to £4/10/. Melbourne: Prime wheaten £4; prime oaten, £3/15/ per ton.

Oaten Hay.—Victorian: £4 per ton.

Derrick Straw.—Tasmanian: £3/5/ to £3/10/ per ton.

Lucerne.—Hunter River: New green £3/15/ to £4, old hay £4 to £4/5/ per ton.

VEGETABLES.

Potatoes.—Tasmanian: Redskins, prime £7 to £8 per ton. Victorian: £6/10/ to £7 per ton.

Onions.—Victorian: Brown Spanish, £8; pickling, £2 to £3 per ton. Japanese: £9 to £10 per ton.

DAIRY PRODUCE.

In consequence of the steady increase in the production of butter, and a further decline of /1 per lb in Victorian butter, local fresh grades were weak in tone, and holders were anxious to keep clear of any surplus stocks. The Melbourne market is reported to be inactive, with a fair local and interstate demand. Choice western is quoted at 1/1. Large supplies of Victorian butter were offering on our market, which affected the sale of local brands. The following figures will show the weekly deliveries of both States for the last six weeks:—

New South Wales. Week ending—	Boxes.	Victoria. Week ending—	Boxes.
July 13	8311	July 9	3768
July 20	8958	July 16	3925
July 27	7,567	July 23	4103
Aug. 3	7370	July 30	5029
Aug. 10	7771	Aug. 6	5242
Aug. 17	7647	Aug. 13	6513

Bacon continued to sell well. Hams were well inquired after for Christmas delivery. Cheese was still sluggish. Eggs were further reduced on account of increased deliveries.

Current quotations were:—

Butter.—Special flavoured brands 132/, seconds and cold stores 110/ to 114/, pastry 90/ to 100/ per cwt.

Cheese.—Local prime loaf, /6½ to /7, good /6 to /6½, prime large /6½ to /7; special brands, /7½ to /8½ per lb.

Lard.—Packets and small bladders, /6½ to /7; bulk, /6; special brands, in bulk, /6½; in 1lb prints, /7 per lb.

Bacon.—Prime factory, sides /7½ to /8, flitches /7½ to /7¾, middles /9 to /10; bacon hams, /9 to /9½; special brands, sides /8½ to /8¾, flitches /8 to /8½, middles, /9½ to /10; hams, in seed and double covers, 1/0½; in single cloth, /10 to /11½ per lb.

Eggs.—Northern river, /10; Southern and railway, /10½; suburban, new-laid, /10½ to /11; duck-eggs, new-laid, /11 to 1/ per dozen.

APIARY PRODUCTS.

Honey met a quieter market, although values were not materially altered. Wax was hard to sell.

Current quotations were:—

Honey.—Western, 60lb tins, choice /3, extra choice /3½, good /2½ to /2¾; Northern river, /2 to /2½, rough and candied /1½ to /2½.

Beeswax.—Prime clear, 1/2, extra choice 1/2; dark, 1/ to 1/2.

POULTRY.

Supplies were very scarce, hardly any supplies of choice birds coming to hand. Prices were firm at late rates.

The following prices were received:—

Old hens, extra choice 4/ to 4/6, choice 3/6 to 3/9, good 3/ to 3/3; chickens, 2/6 to 3/; roosters, choice 5/ to 5/6, others 3/6 to 4/; mixed coops, choice 4/ to 4/6, others 3/6 to 4/; English ducks, 3/6 to 4/; Muscovy ducks, 3/6 to 4/; drakes, 3/9 to 4/6; turkey gobblers, choice 16/, good 12/ to 13/, light 9/ to 10/; turkey hens, choice 7/ to 8/, good 6/ to 7/; guineafowls, 4/ to 4/6; pigeons, 1/3 to 1/6 per pair.

FIREWOOD.

Owing to a number of delayed trucks of firewood being offered values were lower all round. In all 50 truckloads were submitted.

The following prices were received:—

Best boxwood, 14/ to 14/6, good 13/ to 14/; stringy bark, 10/ to 12/; ironbark, 10/ to 12/; bakers' wood, best 11/, good 9/ to 10/ per ton.

AUCTION SALES.

REDFERN RAILWAY MARKET.

Forty-eight trucks of general produce were offered at the Redfern railway auction saleyards yesterday, and of the total offerings 10 were passed in for private treaty. There was a large attendance of buyers, and the sale throughout was brisk. Chaff and lucerne hay sold well, and of the total number of consignments of the latter, one was passed in, while the 17 truckloads of chaff offered were all sold at firmer rates. Potatoes were still cheaper, and showed a drop of 7/6 per ton. Choice chaff realised 4/10, prime 4/4 to 4/6, good 3/10 to 4/, medium 3/6 to 3/9. Choice lucerne hay went off at 5/, prime 4/8, good 4/2 to 4/3, medium 3/8 to 4/1; while lucerne chaff of choice quality found buyers at 5/, prime 4/7. Oats sold at 1/11, but barley was unattended. Choice table turnips were disposed of at from 2/8 to 3/. Choice table potatoes went off at 7/, prime 6/9, medium to good 5/ to 6/4; seed 7/1.

The sale was composed of chaff 17 trucks, lucerne hay 12, lucerne chaff 4, oats 1, turnips 2, potatoes 12.

The following sales were effected:—

Chaff.—From Potter, Wagga, (7792) 3/10, (2073) 4/3; Mutton and Stevenson, Coolamon, (2163) 4/, (5489) 4/3, (9478) 4/3; Lyne, Greenthorpe, (12912) 3/9; Middleton, Cunningah, (14030) 4/; Southwell, Mittagong, (4431) 3/6, A. Lucas, Coolamon, (7192) 4/3; Manglesdorf, Coolamon, (6674) 3/10; Patterson, Harefield, (6981) 4/10, (12642) 4/10; Lyrell, Hopefield, (11561) 4/4; Godbe, Hopefield, (11164) 4/6; Cumming, Henty, (14813) 4/4; A. P. Chester, Bendick, Morrell, (3811) 4/6; Southwell, Mittagong, (4431) 3/6 per cwt.

Lucerne Hay.—From Bartlett, eWst Maitland, (14149) 4/3; Walley, Broomsworth, (9216) 3/11; McArthur, West Maitland, (3908) 5/; Blackham, Scone, (4161) 4/1; Somerville, Moonbi, (11231) 2/7; Carter, Nemingha, (4170) 4/1, (2041) 4/3; C. Kelly, Nemingha, (11140) p 3/1; G. McIlveen, (13062) 4/8; F. Cruise, Nemingha, (1827) 4/3; Bartlet, West Maitland, (3005) 4/2; Ah Fat, Singleton, (5440) small 4/1, large 3/10 per cwt.

Lucerne Chaff.—From W. Cameron, Tamworth, (12287) 5/; Klepsig, Tamworth, (12153) p 4/9; J. Jacobs, Nemingha, (6421) 4/7, (11513) p 4/5, oaten chaff 2/9; G. Lye, Nemingha, (1012) wheaten chaff 3/9 per cwt.

Oats.—From Palmer, Wallendbeen, (2891) 1/11 per bushel.

Turnips.—From Millow, Mulgrave, (330) 2/11; ex Windsor, (2729) 2/8, 10 bags branded FZ p 2/5; 12 bags 5/; Harrison, Koorawatha, (5006) p 2/4 per cwt.

Potatoes.—From McDonald, Piper's Flat, (7963) 6/4; balance 6/, turnips p 3/1; ex Crookwell, (12927) red-skins 6/9, whiteskins 5/7, brownell seed p 5/; Prescott, Crookwell, (13052) 5/6; Smith, Orange, (2756) 6/1; ex Orange, (11822) 6/, (11653) p 5/11; ex Newbridge, (3112) 5/, balance p 5/6; Kable, Blayney, (9842) p 5/1, (14628) p 5/4; ex Blayney, (2698) 5/6; ex Albury, (4046) p 4/, barley p 2/9; ex Springhill, (13223) p 5/11; ex Tarana, (15135) p 7/6 seed; Dowler, Locksley, (5847) 16 bags 7/2, 77 bags 7/; ex Millthorpe, (3049) no offer; Fallow, Millthorpe, (4845) p 5/3; Smith, Guyra, (13063) seed 7/1; Turner, Crookwell, (7141) 7/ per cwt.

FRUIT MARKETS.

Steady business was reported by agents in the fruit trade. Local fruit met good attention at about current rates. Pineapples were not so plentiful, so that better values were received. Apples were quiet.

Current quotations were:—

Apples.—Local: Five Crown, choice 10/ per gin-case, 9/ per bushel-case, good 7/ to 7/6, medium 6/, small 4/6 to 5/ per bushel-case. Tasmanian: S.P.M., extra choice 8/ to 8/6, choice 7/ to 7/6, good 6/ to 6/6, small 4/ to 5/; S.T.P., choice 6/6, good 4/ to 6/; F.C., choice 7/, good 5/ to 6/, small 4/; S.P., choice 5/6 to 6/, medium 4/6 to 5/, small 3/6 to 4/ per bushel-case.

Bananas.—G.M., case 14/6 to 15/, bunch 4/ to 9/. Fiji: Case 13/ to 13/6, bunch 3/6 to 8/. Queensland: Case 8/ to 8/6, bunch 1/ to 3/. Fiji: 10/6 to 12/6 per case, 2/ to 7/ per bunch. Queensland: 6/6 to 7/ per case, /6 to 2/6 per bunch.

Coconnuts.—11/ to 12/ per bag, 1/9 to 2/6 per dozen.

Lemons.—Local: Choice 7/ to 8/, medium 4/ to 6/, 3/ to 3/6 per gin-case. South Australian: 6/ to 7/ per bushel-case.

Loquats.—Choice 3/6 to 4/, medium 2/ to 2/6 per half-case. Mammoths, choice 5/ to 6/, medium 3/ to 4/ per half-case.

Mandarins.—Local: Emperors, special 7/6 to 8/, choice 6/ to 7/, medium 4/ to 5/, small 2/ to 3/ per gin-case; Scarlets, 2/ to 3/6 per gin-case; Thorneys, choice 3/6 to 4/, medium 1/6 to 2/ per half-case, small 2/ to 2/6 per gin-case.

Oranges.—Local: Special, 7/ to 7/6, choice 5/ to 6/, medium 3/ to 4/, small or inferior 1/6 to 2/6 per gin-case. Navel: Choice 9/ to 10/, medium 5/ to 6/, small 3/ to 3/6 per gin-case. South Australian: Navel, 12/6 to 13/ per bushel-case. Queensland oranges, 4/6 to 5/.

Nuts.—Peanuts, /6½; walnuts, /7; almonds, /10; Lychee, 1/3; Barcelonas, Poplar, /8 to /9 per lb.

Pineapples.—Queensland: Commons and Ripleys, 7/ to 8/, good 4/ to 6/; choice Queens, 6/ to 7/, good 4/ to 5/.

Pears.—Victorian: Josephines and W.N.S., extra choice 14/ to 15/, choice 12/ to 13/, medium 10/ to 11/; B.P., choice 10/, good 9/, small 4/ to 5/; Vicars, 8/; other sorts from 6/ per packer.

Passionfruit.—Local: Choice 4/6 to 5/, medium 2/ to 3/ per half-case, small 2/ to 2/6 per gin-case.

Strawberries.—Queensland: Choice 3/6, good 2/6 to 3/ per three-quart-tray.

Seville Oranges.—3/ to 3/6 per gin-case.

Tomatoes.—Queensland: 1/ to 3/, green and small unsaleable.

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For Influenza and Cold in the Head, Woods' Great Peppermint Cure. 1/6.—Advt.

PRODUCE ARRIVALS.

The arrivals of maize, oats, chaff, potatoes, and butter by rail and sea for the week ended Tuesday, August 17, together with the totals to date for the year, and the corresponding period of the previous year, are appended:—

MAIZE.	Coastal. Bags.		By Rail. Bags.
Week's receipts	8,475	..	21
Previous week	6,004	..	22
Total to date, 1909	247,505	..	414,878
Total to date, 1908	221,215	..	94,343
OATS.			
Week's receipts	—	..	260
Previous week	—	..	611
Total, 1909	—	..	14,144
Total, 1908	—	..	17,627
CHAFF.			
Week's receipts	—	..	15,450
Previous week	—	..	9,000
Total, 1909	—	..	601,955
Total, 1908	—	..	422,050
POTATOES.			
Week's receipts	50	..	8,030
Previous week	—	..	5,844
Total, 1909	20,647	..	66,842
Total, 1908	5,525	..	61,073

BUTTER.	Boxes.	Boxes.	Kegs.
Week's receipts	6,035	1,012	2
Previous week	6,210	1,361	3
Total, 1909	414,878	50,927	99
Total, 1908	402,778	71,787	245

STOCK TRUCKINGS.

The following trucks have been ordered for the forthcoming sales:—August 23, 203 sheep vans and 92 cattle waggons; and for August 26, 836 sheep vans and 128 cattle waggons.

STATION PRODUCE SALES.

The Sydney Wool-selling Brokers' Association, viz., Australian Mortgage, Land, and Finance Co., Ltd.; John Bridge and Co., Ltd., Dalgety and Co., Ltd., Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Ltd., Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Ltd., Hill, Clark, and Co., New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Co., Ltd., Pastoral Finance Association, Ltd., Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Ltd., Schute, Bell, and Co., Ltd., and Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Ltd., report:—

Tallow.—Although medium sorts were rather irregular during the earlier sale, values on the whole were without material change. Quotations:—Prime, £27 to £27/5/; good, £26/10/ to £26/15/; medium, £26 to £26/5/; inferior, £23/10/ to £24/10/; broken packages, £22/10/ to £24/10/. 422 casks were offered, and 222 sold.

Hair, Horns, and Sundries.—All descriptions met a firm market at late rates. Quotations:—Horsehair sold to /31 per lb; cowhair to /14½; stumps to /8½; shanks, round to £8/10/ per ton, flat to £4/5/, ordinary mixed to £4/5/; thighbones to £15; buttocks to £11/10/; shins to £10/10/; hoofs, striped to £7, white to £14/12/6, black to £4/5/; hidepieces to £10; sinews to £24/2/6; horns to 70/ per 100.

Rabbitskins.—Prices opened without material change, but as sales progressed the demand weakened, and values declined ½d to 1d per lb. Quotations:—A few exceptional lines, /16½ to /17½ per lb; super, /15 to /15½; prime, /12 to /14; good average, /11 to /12½; medium, /10 to /10½; does, /7½ to /8½; kittens and lower sorts, /8 to /9.

HOMEBUSH STOCK MARKET.

YESTERDAY'S SALES.

SHEEP.

Upwards of 54,479 sheep (including lambs) were balloted for sale from 102 consignors, and 51,557 head were penned. There were only four drafts forward ranging 1000 and over, the bulk of the consignments being in lots of 90 to 450 head. The sheep again comprised a large proportion of good to prime merino wethers and ewes in the wool, with a sprinkling of extra prime, carrying heavy fleeces. Medium and light descriptions were moderately in evidence. There was an odd pen of shorn ewes, straight off shears. Crossbreds were well represented, ranging from useful quality to a good showing of prime and extra prime—both wethers and ewes. A line of wethers consigned by T. and A. Bragg (Summervale) were exceptionally prime and heavy. There was a full attendance of buyers, including exporters and the Sydney Meat Preserving Company, Ltd. Competition, however, was mainly confined to the trade and S.M.P. Co. The market opened to brisk bidding at very firm values for all descriptions, especially for lots with good woolled skins. During the later sales competition weakened, and values fell to last Thursday's reduced rates. Quotations:—Prime merino w 16/ to 17/6, extra prime merino w 18/6 to 19/6, good merino w and h 12/6 to 14/6, medium merino w and h 9/6 to 11/; prime merino e 12/6 to 15/, extra prime merino e 16/ to 16/6, a few to 18/10, good merino e 10/ to 11/6, medium merino e 7/6 to 9/; prime xb w 17/6 to 18/6, extra prime and heavy xb w 19/6 to 20/3, good xb w and h 15/6 to 15/6, medium xb w and h 10/6 to 12/6; prime xb e 15/ to 16/, extra prime xb e 17/, good xb e and h 13/6 to 14/6, medium xb e and h 10/ to 12/. Sales:—

Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Ltd.—Northern agents, 113 e 11/10, 265 9/5; W. Smith, 23 w 15/6, 10 r 15/6; trustees late J. S. Vickery, 12 r 11/, 137 w 13/5, 117 15/1 to 15/2; H. Kook and Sons, 9 w 18/1, 42 e 15/7, 27 r 14/6; Western agents, 242 r 11/; J. McCalman, 51 w 11/10, 29 e 11/; J. Noonan, 22 w 11/7, 53 e 10/6; R. and J. Parkman, 52 w 14/6, 110 13/; R. Diggs, 8 xb e 11/10, 20 xb w 11/10, 52 e 8/10; J. N. Phelps, 84 w 10/, 37 8/6.

Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Ltd.—L. Ryder, 95 w 19/7, 90 17/7, 143 e 15/10, 90 14/4; S. Hilliman, 127 w 18/11, 40 15/1, 69 e 14/2; A. Findley, 58 w 17/7; J. H. Bettington, 284 xb w 16/9 to 17/, 417 15/ to 15/9, 200 13/3 to 13/4; W. Montgomery, 137 w 16/3, 70 14/11 to 15/; W. D. Smith, 70 w 16/2, 16 r 11/9, 71 r h 11/4; A. Bowen, 216 w 15/11, 49 12/11, 4 xb e 13/6; S. Ludlow, 5 xb e 15/5, 98 w 14/5, 112 e 12/11; P. Cummings, jun., 180 e 15/4, 20 w 13/11, 39 e 13/; J. McNamara, 40 w 14/7; Wise and Wise, 105 w 14/ to 14/3, 68 e and w 12/1 to 12/2; Southern agents, 22 xb e 14/9, 55 stags 11/, 73 r 9/; A. A. Morley, 25 xb e 13/7, 140 w 12/10, 82 e 11/1; H. H. Duncan and Son, 5 e and w 13/6, 46 w 11/9, 125 e 10/3, 5 stags 10/; J. Stann, 9 w 13/4, 25 e and r 12/, 146 e 11/; A. P. Wade, 214 w 13/3, 71 12/; J. M. Walker, 7 r 13/5, 412 w 13/, 187 12/3; C. E. Rowley, 314 e 12/6, 19 r 11/6, 190 e 8/7; W. Weis, 145 e 11/1, 125 9/10; H. Chew, 98 r 9/.

Maiden Bros.—Andrew Bros., 58 xb w 20/6, 280 xb e 15/9, 127 14/5; G. Davidson, 331 w 19/2, 163 17/3 to 17/4, 10 15/; Haynes and Hain, 588 w 17/6 to 18/3, 242 16/4 to 17/; S. E. Roberts, 56 w 17/6 to 17/8, 5 16/2, 128 13/8; J. Gibson, 9 w 16/10; M. A. Gibbs, 22 xb w 16/7, 112 w 15/6 to 15/11, 53 14/5, 65 xb e 13/3 to 13/4; W. Boxsell, 73 w 16/11, 18 14/4, 43 13/1; W. M. Maxwell, 509 w 15/2 to 15/6, 252 13/11; A. McLaughlin, 36 w 15/5, 12 xb e 14/, 31 e 12/10; J. F. Gibb, 153 w 15/1, 24 13/9; T. Waite and Son, 289 w 14/8 to 14/11, 68 13/, 22 r 12/5; H. Cunningham, 280 w 14/4 to 14/5, 55 12/6; D. Hunt, 97 w 13/9 to 14/, 283 e 12/, 24 w 11/7, 26 e 10/; Boyd, 25 w 14/; Canonbar station, 421 e 13/8, 16 7/; E. F. Brennan, 87 e 13/4; Southern agents, 53 w 12/8, 28 (mixed) 11/ to 11/2; J. Ryan, 19 w 12/7, 5 14/7; Killarney Estate, 207 e 12/7 to 12/10, 41 9/9; J. T. Gavel, 116 e 12/4, 20 10/3, 8 xbds 14/; F. H. Tout, 22 e and w 11/10, 67 e 10/ to 10/2; M. J. Ryan, 19 e 9/6.

Wilkinson and Lavender, Ltd.—C. W. Firebrace, 387 w 17/1, 546 16/1 to 16/2; R. J. Austin, 133 w 17/3 to 17/4, 284 15/9; W. Knobel, 11 xbds 18/10, 76 xb e 16/5; Quambone station, 640 w 13/4 to 13/6, 188 11/7; Western agents, 226 e 14/7, 470 12/4, 60 10/8; J. Hibberson, 39 e 12/6, 100 w h 11/5; Stevenson, Ayre, and Co., 60 w 16/2 to 16/5, 40 16/, 30 15/9, 188 15/ to 15/3, 72 16/8; E. G. Foggo, 112 xb e 14/ to 14/2, 142 12/3 to 12/3; W. Bell, 46 e 10/3, 28 9/8; Southern agents, 44 w 12/9, 22 e 10/2, 10 8/6; H. G. Hammond, 31 w 13/; L. Robertson, 91 e 9/10 to 9/11.

New Zealand L. and M. A. Co., Ltd.—A. Tighe, Gilgandra, 15 w 18/4, 65 16/6; C. S. Bundock, Harden, 156 w 15/11, 210 14/7; A. G. Manning, Wyalong, 246 w 15/3 to 15/5, 196 14/6, 60 xb w 16/2, 13 14/; T. A. Howard, Bellata, 145 e 14/, 125 11/11 to 12/1.

Weaver and Perry.—E. J. Cory, 200 w 15/9 to 16/2, 428 13/11 to 14, 205 12/7; Fleming Bros., 62 r 15/8, 214 e 15/3, 186 13/9; Western agents, 305 e 8/9 to 9/6, 144 7/10.

Badgery Bros.—E. T. Whelan, 105 w 16/, 90 14/8 to 14/9, 17 15/, 10 xb 12/6, 29 w 14/5; A. Brummell, 127 w 15/3 to 15/4, 113 13/11; F. Goodyer, 38 xb w 14/11, 12 13/2, 31 e 12/1, 42 10/4; L. Marsh, 68 xb w 13/4 to 13/7, 74 xb e 13/3 to 13/5, 68 11/7, 197 w 18/6 to 13/8, 67 11/3 to 11/6; R. T. and F. Williams, 57 e 13/2, 11 11/, 5 w 13/4; E. Thomas, 51 w 13/6, 20 11/6, 13 e 9/6, 5 xb 13/6; C. E. Colwell, 87 e 11/2.

Warden Harry Graves, Ltd.—W. W. Killen, Barellan, 91 w 16/2, 190 14/8 to 14/9, 45 13/6, 11 xb w 15/11; exors. Jas. Ewan, Parkes, 82 w 15/8 to 15/9, 126 13/9 to 13/10, 50 12/7; G. M. Gavel, Condobolin, 365 w 14/9 to 15/, 126 13/11 to 14/2; P. Regan, Coonamble, 58 w 13/9, 95 12/5, 5 xb r 11/; exors. W. M. Connell, Gulargambone, 80 w 14/10 to 15/, 126 14/ to 14/5, 25 12/4, 90 e 11/9, 90 10/ to 10/5; E. W. Pahlow, Mullengudgery, 20 w 15/3, 127 13/6, 162 e 13/.

Abbott and Martineer.—J. Campbell, Walgett, 56 e 13/4, 26 w 12/, 31 e 14/4; H. Smith, Trangie, 74 w 14/6, 97 12/6; Northern agents, Walgett, 252 e 13/4 to 13/8, 627 11/8 to 12/7.

Joseph Leeds and Co.—T. and A. Bragg, Summervale, 98 xbd w 20/ to 20/3, 83 17/10, 31 14/; W. B. Perry, Narromine, 114 xbd w 15/9, 64 13/2, 24 e 14/, 26 12/; D. Fletcher, Belagula, 110 w 14/2 to 14/6, 103 11/11, 26 e e 13/1, 14 e 12/; J. Heckendorf, Lockhart, 29 xbd w 16/, 35 14/, 56 w 12/9, 91 14/, 14 xbd e 15/, 15 e 11/6; T. and A. Walker, Warren, 34 xbd e 13/5, 15 e 12/6, 11 w 12/6; J. M. Allison, Quirindi, 464 e 13/4, 340 10/11 to 11/2; O. R. Rawlins, Narrandera, 255 w 13/9 to 16/, 78 13/11; C. Douglas, Geurie, 27 w 14/1, 30 13/, 9 e 12/; J. McCalman, Barmedman, 345 e 12/1, 118 11/5; J. McDonald, Moree, 229 e 11/11, 221 10/2; L. F. Perfrement, Wee Waa, 11 e 8/6.

Hill, Clark, and Co.—Clift Bros., 104 xb w 18/4 to 18/10, 90 15/10 to 16/, 108 w 17/8 to 18/2, 287 16/6 to 17/2, 140 xb e 16/6, 80 15/2; D. I. Watt, 336 w 15/9 to 16/6, 93 13/8 to 13/11, 340 14/1; D. Cameron, 90 w 17/, 47 15/4; O. E. Friend, 20 w 16/1, 621 15/ to 15/2, 158 14/9 to 14/11; T. A. Windeyer, 335 w 14/6 to 14/10, 110 13/, 55 11/11; J. Brown, 10 xb r 20/3; estate late V. J. Dowling, Lue, 110 w 13/3 to 13/8, 69 12/6; J. Bonnington, 384 e 12/9 to 13/1, 94 11/6 to 11/7; Estate late V. J. Dowling, Gummin Gummin, 104 w 13/3 to 13/5, 125 12/, 300 stags 12/6, 122 11/5, 57 10/; J. H. Doyle, 342 e 12/6, 167 10/10 to 11/; F. A. Parbury, 30 xbds 14/3, 6 13/; Executors late Bishop of Newcastle, Brenda, 1384 e 10/4 to 11/2, 349 9/11 to 10/.

Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Ltd.—A. A. Company, Warrah, 392 w 19/, 358 18/10 to 16/11; H. G. Hitchin, Gilgandra, 4 w 17/11, 44 15/4, 36 12/4; J. Goodyer, Narrabri, 26 w 13/1, 5 15/4, 65 e 10/3 to 10/4; L. Brennan, Wee Waa, 122 w 16/11, 100 12/9, 90 e 13/7, 60 11/, 12 13/9, 337 w 14/9; J. Moroney, Greenthorpe, 93 w 14/10, 84 e and w 12/3; S. J. Botterill, Wyalong, 6 xb e 13/10, 6 w 14/3, 10 e 11/6, 56 e 11/; F. Hertel, Carwathool, 314 w 17/8, 297 16/7, 100 xb w 14/4, 20 xb w 17/2, 83 xbds 13/11; A. E. A. Holmes, Wyalong 139 w 15/4, 88 14/11, 15 xbds 16/8, 71 w 17/3, 30 w and e 12/9; Dawson Bros., Condobolin, 94 e and w 13/, 68 e 10/3; E. W. Boyd, Milbrulong, 46 w 17/, 10 15/6, 21 r and e 13/6; J. H. Sevil, Willow Tree, 18 e 11/6; Young and Balli, Young, 15 xb e 14/6, 29 w 14/4, 17 e 14/, 386 e 11/3; R. Rayner, Gulgong, 134 w 12/7 to 12/9; C. Nott, 45 xbds 14/3, 66 e 12/1, 25 w 15/5; J. Nott, Gulgong, 251 w 15/1, 90 17/, 72 e 11/9, 84 9/10; T. Nash, Gulgong, 78 w 12/2 to 12/7, 63 11/6 to 14/9; H. Opperkuck, Gulgong, 149 w 11/7; A. A. Dangar, Quirindi, 126 xb e 16/3 to 16/7; Edgeroi estate, 816 w 16/6.

Pastoral Finance Association, Ltd.—G. H. Greene, Iandra, 101 w 14/3 to 14/4, 100 12/3 to 12/6, 416 12/ to 12/1, 207 11/6, 369 10/8 to 10/10, 99 10/; E. H. Wall, Narrabri, 21 w 14/2, 22 13/, 12 e 12/.

Dalgety and Co., Ltd.—F. F. Clough, Wagga, 40 xb w 15/, 32 13/7, 5 w 13/4; J. G. Gray, Corowa, 55 r 15/, 24 w 13/10; A. H. Ashcroft, Uranquinty, 112 w 14/7 to 14/8, 71 13/8 to 13/8; Bors Bros., Yarrabandi, 5 w 13/10, 143 e 12/, 90 10/4; C. J. Muslin, Grenfell, 120 xb w 12/10 to 13/, 56 11/11; E. K. Rutledge, Nevertire, 92 e 12/, 47 10/5, 52 (shorn) 7/3 to 7/8.

LAMBS.

There was a good supply of lambs penned, but the supply was not so heavy as on Thursday last. All descriptions were forward—both crossbred and merino—medium and useful trade sorts formed the bulk of the supply, with a fair proportion of prime, and odd pens of extra prime. The pennings were suited to trade requirements. Competition was slack on trade sorts generally, and values were about /6 per head lower for such descriptions. The rates for prime, however, which were not too plentiful, were without change. Quotations: Prime woolly lambs and suckers 11/ to 12/6, extra prime 13/6 to 14/6, odd pens to 15/4, good suckers and lambs 8/ to 10/, medium suckers and shorn lambs 4/6 to 6/.

William Inglis and Son.—J. L. Tulloch, 140 6/5 to 1/8, 76 4/6.

Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Ltd.—Northern agents, 65 9/10 to 10/1; W. Smith, 28 14/2, 20 12/4, 70 11/6, 86 12/10 to 13/, 27 10/; J. McCalman, 147 11/3, J. N. Phelps, 178 6/10 to 7/; Western agents, 230 10/11 to 11/3, 65 10/5.

Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Ltd.—A. Findley, 20 14/5; A. Bowen, 16 13/, 16 11/2; A. Johnston, 5 12/7, 86 10/6 to 10/9, 75 9/11 to 10/; A. A. Morley, 12 19/5; W. Montgomery, 28 11/9, 10 10/7; J. Halliday, 72 11/6, 134 10/6, 79 10/2; P. Donohoe, 117 12/2 to 11/4, 72 10/9; S. Ludlow, 54 10/11 to 11/1, 5 9/10, 7 9/7; A. J. McNamara, 12 10/ to 10/4, 48 9/; N. Cox, 107 9/9, 133 9/ to 9/1.

Maiden Bros.—D. J. Campbell, 204 15/4, 70 14/, 31 13/3; Killarney Estate, 12 12/11, 58 10/7 to 10/9, 166 9/6, 166 9/; J. T. Gavel, 18 12/9, 26 9/4; A. R. Mill, 175 11/3 to 11/8, 80 10/6 to 10/7; H. Cunningham, 97 10/9 to 11/, 34 10/1; A. McLaughlin, 6 10/9, 7 8/10; D. Hunt, 232 9/2 to 9/5, 134 8/8; W. Boxsell, 58 9/9, 10 8/6; T. Gordon, 286 9/5 to 9/8, 216 8/5; M. J. Ryan, 30 9/4; W. Williams, 90 8/10, 15 7/2; Southern agents, 20 7/8.

New Zealand L. and M. A. Co., Ltd.—E. Kilby, Trangie, 50 14/10, 41 12/3.

Wilkinson and Lavender, Ltd.—G. Robinson, 22 12/8, 176 10/, 9 8/9; E. G. Foggo, 11 10/4; H. G. Hammond, 58 10/6, 8 9/; J. Hibberson, 133 8/10, 209 8/5, 54 8/.

Badgery Brothers.—R. T. and F. Williams, 26 10/6, 109 9/6, 87 8/11; F. Goodyer, 67 11/6, 77 9/11 to 10/1, 28 8/9, 9 9/7, 7 8/6; C. E. Colwell, 62 7/6.

Weaver and Perry.—Fleming Bros., 109 11/9 to 11/11, 180 10/7.

Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Ltd.—A. E. A. Holmes, 70 12/, 55 10/; A. A. Dangar, 108 10/8 to 11/4, 127 10/; J. Goodyer, 51 10/, 102 9/6, 29 8/; — Millikin, 53 8/8, 51 7/6, 10 9/4; J. H. Sevil, 113 8/, 166 8/10 to 9/3; S. J. Kennedy, 66 10/2, 12 10/10, 8 8/5; D. Mullane, 89 10/9; L. Brennan, 57 10/10, 84 8/10 to 9/2; A. A. Dangar, 108 10/8 to 11/4, 127 10/.

Hill, Clark, and Co.—F. A. Parbury, 64 12/9, 73 11/6, 8 10/4, 12 9/7; T. A. Windeyer, 9 12/5.

Warden Harry Graves, Ltd.—G. M. Gavel, 150 11/1, 51 10/4; E. J. Warner, 17 9/3, 82 7/9, 58 (shorn) 7/4 to 7/5, 96 6/1; E. W. Pahlow, rail Mullengudgery, 93 10/5 to 10/8, 97 9/.

Abbott and Martineer.—J. Campbell, Walgett, 22 10/3, 74 8/8, 66 7/7.

Joseph Leeds and Co.—C. Douglas, 17 11/6; J. Heckendorf, 22 10/4, 9 8/8; W. B. Perry, 11 10/, 9 9/9; L. F. Perfrement, 11 9/3, 40 8/6 to 8/7, 15 7/6 to 7/9, 7 6/1, 10 5/; T. and A. Walker, 21 7/7.

Pastoral Finance Association, Ltd.—E. H. Wall, 10 11/10, 64 10/10, 112 9/7, 19 8/11 to 9/, 34 7/4.

Dalgety and Co., Ltd.—Bors Bros., 22 11/5, 16 9/10 to 10/1; E. K. Rutledge, 39 9/8, 6 8/2.

CATTLE.

Out of 1171 cattle balloted for sale, 1104 head were yarded, from 38 consignors. The consignments included two drafts, aggregating 200 head from Queensland. Those from this state were mainly from the northern, and north-western districts. The yardings comprised a large proportion of useful quality bullocks and steers, with a sprinkling of prime medium-weight and light bullocks and steers. About 350 cows and heifers were included in the yardings, ranging from medium and light to occasional yards of extra prime. There was a large attendance of buyers, including an interstate operator, and as the supply was within requirements, the market was generally 10/, and in places 15/, per head above last Monday's rulings. Quotations: Yards of prime medium weight bullocks £11/10/ to £12/5/, odd beasts to £12/17/6, yards of prime light bullocks and steers £10 to £11, yards of good bullocks and steers £8/5/ to £9/5/, yards of medium bullocks and steers £6 to £7/10/; yards of prime cows and heifers £6/15/ to £7/10/, yards of extra prime cows and heifers £8 to £9, yards of good cows and heifers £5/5/ to £6, yards of medium and light cows and heifers £3/10/ to £4/10/. Best beef, 20/ to 20/, and useful beef 23/ to 25/ per 100lb.

Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Ltd.—A. G. F. Munro, 100 bullocks to £10/14/, avg £10/2/7; D. T. Bray, 43 cows and heifers to £9/1/, avg £7/5/; Rebora, 32 cows and heifers to £5/5/, avg £4/2/9; K. J. Kaine, 11 calves avg £2.

Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Ltd.—T. Cook and Co., 57 bullocks to £12, avg £11/3/9; W. R. Holcombe, 38 steers to £9/11/, avg £7/13/4; Hall Bros., Aberdeen, 10 bullocks at £9/17/; R. G. Hitchen, 10 bullocks at £10/5/, 18 vealers to £5/14/, avg £4/7/9; J. D. Piper, 6 bullocks to £12/17/6, avg £11/15/8; C. H. J. Schmidt (Q.), 70 bullocks to £9/13/, avg £8/5/7, 38 cows to £7/18/, avg £7/1/11; S. J. Botterill, Wyalong, 5 steers at £6/6/, 10 heifers to £5/10/, avg £5/1/9.

Maiden Brothers.—W. Wilson, 8 bullocks and steers to £9, avg £8/4/9, 2 cows at £7; J. Duff, Bellata, 14 vealers to £6/19/, avg £4/7/7; trustees late J. Wall, 5 cows and heifers to £7/14/, avg £6/9/9, 5 yearlings to £6/5/, avg £4/6/.

Joseph Leeds and Co.—J. McDonald, Moree, 54 bullocks and steers to £10/1/, avg £8/17/; W. F. Buchanan, Narrabri, 30 bullocks to £10/10/, avg £9/11/3.

Hill, Clark, and Co.—H. T. Edwards, 5 bullocks to £11/9/, avg £10/14/9, 17 cows to £8/11/, avg £6/6/6; Bergin Bros. (Q.), 24 bullocks to £10/6/, avg £9/1/, 64 cows to £9/1/, avg £6/7/3; J. Daniel, 22 bullocks to £8/10/, avg £8/6/; Ward, 10 steers to £8/9/, avg £5; Directors Barnes Estate, 107 cows to £6/11/, avg £6/6/.

Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Ltd.—C. W. Ridley, 21 steers to £9, avg £7/9/8; T. F. and J. Grills, 12 steers to £8/1/, avg £7/17/2; W. E. Spong, 10 steers at £8/9/.

Abbott and Martineer.—Exors. late H. R. Samuels, Trangie, 5 heifers to £6/7/, avg £5/19/2, 5 cows to £6/14/, avg £5/14/2.

Weaver and Perry.—Dean Bros., Tenterfield, 36 bullocks to £10/2/, avg £8/14/, 7 cows, £5/13/; H. Bates, Tenterfield, 33 steers, £7/15/, avg £7/8/8; C. J. Withycombe and Co., 22 bullocks to £9/7/, avg £8/3/; W. M. Waddell, 12 steers, to £7/4/, avg £6/15/6.

Wilkinson and Lavender, Ltd.—H. Hope Osborne and Bros., Coolac, 30 bullocks to £12/5/, avg £11/9/10; W. Hawker, Gunnedah, 50 bullocks to £9/14/, avg £8/3/4.

GOOD SALE OF BULLOCKS.

Badgery Brothers, 14 Castlereagh-street, Sydney, report having sold privately on account Mr. Thos. Ellis, late of Jerry's Plains, 940 fat and store bullocks in one line, to a Hunter River buyer, at a highly satisfactory price. Owners of stock will find it to their advantage to keep Badgery Bros. posted with particulars of their sale stock, as they have several good buyers unsupplied.—Advt.

HIGH PRICES AT HOMEBUSH.

Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Ltd., report having sold at Homebush yesterday, account L. Ryder, of Yarranbee, Coonamble, a draft of merino wethers at 19/7, and merino ewes 15/10. Account S. Hilliman, of Gunbar, merino wethers, 18/11. Account A. Findlay, Darling Point, lambs, 14/5.—Advt.

AMUSEMENTS.

BALMAIN CHORAL UNION.

The Balmain District Choral Union gave their first metropolitan concert at St. James's Hall last night, when his Excellency Lord Chelmsford attended, and there was a crowded audience. Mr. A. J. Walker conducted the choir, a fine body of voices, the sopranos resonant and strong, the contraltos mellow in tone, tenors and basses fairly adequate, but not equal in merit to the sections named. After winning many competitions elsewhere, this choir secured first prize last year at the Commonwealth Grand Champion Choral Contest (Sydney Town Hall), so that a good deal was expected of the singers last night. Mr. Walker conducted the "Hymn of Praise" with excellent results, the choir doing well in the difficult number "The Night's Departing," and even better in the final, "Ye Nations." This was led off by the various sections in turn with firmness and spirit, whilst it need hardly be said that the easier numbers were finely delivered. The Alvatha Orchestra (leader Mr. A. A. Walker) proved a source of weakness, which the engagement of [illegible] sional players for the brass and two or three [illegible] strings to lead the amateurs would have obviated. Miss Mabel Batchelor sang the soprano music with sympathy and refinement, Mr. Percy French proved in especially full voice in his declamation of the "Watchman" scena, and Miss Gussie Crook assisted in the beautiful duet, "I Waited for the Lord." Miss McCallum was the pianist, and in the miscellaneous programme Miss V. Granger recited with acceptance.

MRS. HAFFENDEN-SMITH'S CONCERT.

Mrs. Haffenden-Smith, assisted by Mr. Arthur Crane (baritone), Mr. Gladstone Bell ('cellist), and Mr. Oswald L. Steel (accompanist), gave a successful concert in the Y.M.C.A. Hall last night, at which she introduced a number of her pupils. Mrs. Haffenden-Smith's rich contralto voice was heard to best advantage in Meyerbeer's "Roberto, o tu che adoro," in the second part of the programme, while in conjunction with Mr. Arthur Crane her rendering of Lucantoni's "A Night in Venice" called forth a burst of applause. She also sang "Abide With Me" (Liddle). Mr. Arthur Crane sang "The Sailor's Grave," by Sullivan, with studied expression and feeling. His powerful baritone voice was also much appreciated in Blumenthal's "Across the Far Blue Hills, Marie." Mr. Gladstone Bell's 'cello solos were outstanding features of the entertainment, and he received double encores. Amongst other selections he gave Bach's "Aria" and Goens' "Scherzo." Amongst Mrs. Haffenden-Smith's pupils who contributed towards the programme were Masters Edward Crawford and Walter Marchant, first and second prize winners at the Commonwealth Eisteddfod. The former sang "My Ain Folk" (Lemon) and "Life's Lullaby" (Lane), and the latter Allitson's "Song of Thanksgiving" and "A Dream" (Bartlett). The other pupils who sang were Miss Edith Paton, Miss Winnie Marchant, Mr. James Cleary, Mr. Allan Lynch, and Mr. J. Coleman.

Portraits of the heroes of the year who are to receive the Royal Shipwreck and Humane Society's awards make a very interesting page in the "Sydney Mail" this week.—Advt.

For Chronic Chest Complaints, Woods' Great Peppermint Cure. 1/6.—Advt.

NEWCASTLE.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

NEWCASTLE, Thursday.

The Newcastle Chamber of Commerce has received a letter from the Under-Secretary for Finance and Trade stating that the Colonial Treasurer was unable to agree to the request recently made by the council that he should reconsider his decision to abandon the proposed bill for the suppression of the evils in connection with the engaging and supply of sailors. Members of the council expressed a great deal of disappointment at the bill being dropped, but nothing further was done in the matter.

An extensive programme has been arranged by the Newcastle Chamber of Commerce for the entertainment of the delegates from the Congress of Chambers of Commerce of the Empire, which is to meet in Sydney shortly. They will be feted and taken over the district to see the various industries.

A letter was received from the Melbourne Chamber of Commerce forwarding a copy of a resolution adopted by the latter chamber, protesting against the proposed amendment by the Federal Parliament of the Australian Industries Preservation Acts of 1906 and 1907. In forwarding the resolution the secretary of the Melbourne chamber stated that he had been instructed to point out that in this measure the Government proposed to interfere to a greater extent with legitimate business than was contemplated in the bill of 1907. The majority of the members of his council were of opinion that concessions, rebates, etc, should not be regarded as necessarily unfair. They were legally advised that the proposed legislation would deem all such transactions unfair, and the responsibility for proving the contrary would rest upon the person making the concession. This was a most unusual proceeding. The various chambers of commerce to which the letter had been submitted, were asked to use their influence upon members of Parliament to prevent the bill being passed, so that existing business arrangements should not be interfered with.

It was decided to co-operate with Melbourne in the direction asked, and a committee was appointed to formulate reasons for opposing the bill.

THE HARBOUR ENTRANCE.

In reply to a deputation from the Chamber of Commerce, which waited upon him to-day, Mr. Percy Allen, District Engineer for Harbours and Rivers, stated that two dredges were at present working at the entrance to the harbour, and they had operated so successfully that the depth of water at low tide on the outer crossing was now 26ft, and on the inner crossing there was 30ft at low water.

INADEQUATE COURTHOUSE ACCOMMODATION.

The president of the Chamber of Commerce to-day drew attention to the lack of accommodation at the Newcastle Courthouse. He thought the time was opportune to again urge upon the Government the necessity for more extensive accommodation.

BROADMEADOW-WARATAH TRAM.

For a long time past various local bodies have been urging the Government to begin the construction of the tramway from Broadmeadow to Waratah. A letter has now been received by the Newcastle Chamber of Commerce from the Under-Secretary to the Works Department, stating that the survey of the line is now being carried out, and the work of constructing the line will be undertaken very shortly.

COAL AND OTHER EXPORTS.

The following vessels cleared at the Customs-house to-day:—Worms, s, for Java ports and Macassar, via Townsville, with 1500 tons bunkers and through cargo; Nardoo, s, for Port Adelaide, with 4300 tons coal, 300 tons bunkers, 100 telegraph poles, and 182 packages of fire crackers.

CONVENTION OF BUILDERS.

TO BE HELD IN SYDNEY.

The biennial convention of Master Builders of Australia will be held in Sydney during October. At a meeting of the Sydney Association on Tuesday, a letter was read from Mr. Midson, of Queensland, who is secretary of the Federated Master Builders' Association, stating that the Queensland Association had agreed to any date fixed by the mother State, while the Melbourne association had wired agreeing to October. Geelong had said that any date would suit it, but Western Australia had wired that the distance was too great, so it would not be represented. Adelaide, said Mr. Midson, seemed to be waiting for something to turn up. The Sydney association, on the strength of this letter, fixed the date for the middle of October, and the following were appointed N. S. Wales delegates:—Messrs. H. J. Thompson (president of the N.S.W. association), E. H. Buchanan, J. Wall, and W. Stuart.

The delegates were authorised to prepare the subjects for discussion. Mr. Pringle suggested that the following subjects should be included in the programme:—Commonwealth and industrial legislation, apprenticeship under new industrial conditions, uniform conditions of contract, lowest tender, registration of builders, model rules for builders associations, conciliation committees, commercial side of building and excessive competition, builders and benevolent associations and builders' insurance associations. These subjects were referred to the delegates for adoption, and the Sydney delegates were instructed to communicate with the delegates from other States about the preparation of papers on the subjects chosen.

Mr. Thomas Loveridge, of Sydney, is the president-elect of the convention, he having been chosen at the last convention in Melbourne.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

LADIES' MINIATURE CLUB.

At the weekly practice of the Sydney Ladies' Miniature Rifle Club, held on the 100yd range at Randwick, the following scores were put up, out of a possible 50:—M. Howard 46, A. Smith 46, G. Rocks 46, H. Hedley 46, E. Stephens 45, E. Huets 45, J. Brooks 44, K. Allen 41.

ARMIDALE, Thursday.

Following are the prize-winners for the monthly shooting of the Armidale Rifle Club, concluded on Wednesday:—J. Seabrook, score 72, handicap 6, total 75; J. Lewis, 70, 5—75; O. Dean, 68, 9—75; W. Price, 71, 4—75; A. Jack, 69, 6—75; E. F. Allman, 69, 6—75; S. A. Godfrey, 70, 4—74; A. Bower, 70, 4—74; G. Schmutter, 70, 4—74; R. Lennox, 70, 4—74; B. Allen, 64, 9—73. Seventy-five was the handicap limit.

MURWILLUMBAH, Wednesday.

In a triangular match between Coomera, Pim Pams, and Murwillumbah rifle clubs on Saturday the latter won by 15 points. The two former clubs belong to Queensland, where the match was shot.

AUCTION SALES TO-DAY.

HOUSES AND LAND.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH.—At the Rooms, at 11.30, Suburban Properties.

FURNITURE AND MERCHANDISE.

J. R. LAWSON and LITTLE.—At the Rooms, at 11, Pianos, Pianola, Furniture, etc.

H. HAINS.—At Room 57, Royal Arcade, at 2, Motor Cycles, Typewriters, Tools, Lamps, etc.

BARNARD and CO.—At the Central Mart, at 11, Stock-in-trade of Tailor, Lace, Shirtings, etc.

D. W. SOLOMONS.—At the Rooms, North Sydney, at 11, Piano, Furniture, etc.

STRONGMAN, WATSON, and HAWKINS.—At the Rooms, Burwood, at 11, Piano, Furniture, etc.

J. P. LISTER.—At the Rooms, at 11, Clothing, Boots, etc.; at 2, Watches, Chains, Brooches, Rings, etc.

MIDDLETON and CO.—At 170 George-street West, at 2, Clothing, Curtains, Remnants, etc.

H. LEVY.—At 639 George-street, at 2, Clothing, Drapery, Jewellery, etc.

E. H. BRODRIBB.—At the Rooms, at 11, Pianos, Carpets, Furniture, etc.

H. WOOLNOUGH and CO.—At Clarendon-road, Stanmore, at 11, Furniture, Cutlery, Ice Chest, etc.

FERGUSON and GREVILLE.—At 72 King-street, Newtown, at 2.30, Furniture, Sewing Machines, etc.

FARM AND DAIRY PRODUCE.

R. F. MURPHY and CO.—At their Rooms and Yards, at 1, Sucking Pigs, Pork, etc.; at 2, Eggs, Butter, Bacon, etc.; at 2.30, Poultry, etc.

C. J. TURNER.—At his Rooms, at 1.15, Ducklings, Chicks, etc.; at 1.30, Eggs, Poultry, etc.

MOSSMAN and ELLIS.—At their Railway Yards, at 1, Suckers, Pork, Veal, Poultry, Bacon, Lard, Honey, Butter, etc.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At St. Marys, at 1, Cattle.

MITCHELL BROS.—At Saleyard, Burwood, at 2.30, Poultry, etc.

STATION PRODUCE.

G. MOXHAM and CO.—At the Wool Exchange, at 10.30, Sheepskins; at 1.30, Hides.

HORSES, VEHICLES, AND HARNESS.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At their Bazaar, at 10.30, 11.30, and 12, Horses, Vehicles, and Harness.

MISCELLANEOUS.

J. COWAN.—At Athlone-place, at 2.30, Building Materials, etc.

MITCHELL BROS.—At Saleyard, Burwood, at 2.30, Wire Netting, Battens, Timber, etc.

D. and W. BAINES.—At 510 to 620 Kent-street, at 11, Building Materials, etc.

INTERSTATE EXCHANGES.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

Sales: Brisbane Trams, pref., £5/6/.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

To-day's Exchange sales were:—Victoria 3 per cent., 1920, £87; ditto 3 per cent. stock, 1917, £89/6/8, £89/5/; Commercial Bank, pref., £5/11/6; E.S.A. deposits, def., 17/9; ditto debs., 17/8; Goldsbrough, Mort, 40/; Emu Bay Railway, 1/9; Melbourne Trams, 41/9; Broken Hill Water, 17/; Howard Smith, 46/9; Zinc Corporation, 12/3; ditto, pref., 50/.

FINANCIAL.

ELECTRELLE (AUSTRALASIA), LIMITED.

This company, whose prospectus appeared in our columns on Saturday last, is being formed for the purpose of manufacturing and distributing the electrelle, a new piano-playing invention. The instrument can be fitted into any ordinary piano without structural alteration, and can be made at small cost. It is claimed to be specially adapted to the Australian climate, as it does not contain any leather, canvas, or rubber, but is made entirely of the finest steel, and is worked by a small inexpensive electric storage battery. The German, French, and American rights have been sold for very large sums, and the English Electrelle Company, of Manchester, have made a great success of their operations. The board comprises Dr. J. D. Sly, Messrs. J. M. Purves, H. J. Gould, B.E., J. M. Sandy, and Leonard Stevenson. The offices of the company are at Messrs. J. Earle Hermann, Ltd., 16 O'Connell-street.

NEW ZEALAND TRADE IMPROVES.

Official returns of New Zealand's inward and outward trade for the half-year ended June 30 show a remarkable and altogether satisfactory movement; indeed, it is to be expected that if the present trade be maintained the depression and its accompanying unemployment difficulty will steadily disappear.

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OYSTER DISPUTE.

MOTION IN PARLIAMENT.

HEATED DEBATE.

In the Legislative Assembly last evening, the matter of Mr. Malouf's oyster lease was again referred to.

Mr. CARMICHAEL moved the adjournment of the House to discuss—"The failure of the Fisheries Board to do justice to Mr. Malouf in connection with the granting of certain oyster leases." He declared that an oyster trust was formed in 1906 which practically controlled the price, until Malouf stepped in and "burst up" the combine. One member of the trust was also a member of the Fisheries Board, and Malouf appeared to have aroused the antagonism of the trust, and, consequently, of one member of the board. Malouf sought to take up three leases near Berowra, on the Hawkesbury, and arranged with an inspector to put in his application. The application was prepared, but Malouf then decided to apply for the oyster rights of the whole of Berowra Creek. He was given to understand by the secretary of the board that such rights would be granted him, so he withdrew the application for the three leases, and made the larger application. When the matter came before the board the application was refused. In the meantime, in some mysterious fashion, one Marshall got to know that Malouf wanted the three leases. Marshall promptly made application for them, and his application was granted. Malouf brought a suit in equity, which cost him about £700, and the matter was hung up for six months. He then put in a fresh application for the three leases, but the Fisheries Board granted them to Comino. The right given to the latter was, however, withdrawn, and the leases were granted to Malouf, who found that during the time the matter had been hung up by the Equity suit some persons had removed from the area about a thousand tons of oyster-bearing stone. An inspector was told off by the board to investigate matters, but failed to find out anything, and it was only when the matter was placed in the hands of the police that the offenders were traced and prosecuted. This was towards the end of June, 1907. A full inquiry was promised at the time, but it had not taken place. In March of this year a quantity of stone-bearing oysters was shipped from Malouf's leases, and again the inspector failed to find any trace of the offenders. The police were called upon to investigate. It was an extraordinary thing that the inspector, who had a number of men at his disposal, had been unable to find out anything about the theft, while the police had no difficulty in doing so.

Mr. DONALDSON said that there was no truth in the statement that the Fisheries Board granted the leases to Malouf owing to the orders or coercion of the Chief Secretary's Department. The whole complaint was unfounded. It said very little for the dignity of Parliament that a member should use it as a place for saying things that he would not dare to say outside.

Mr. M'GOWEN said charges had been made against the Fisheries Board by Malouf, and had never been contradicted until Mr. Donaldson had made his vague statements that evening. Malouf asked for a Royal Commission, and said that if he did not prove his charges he would pay the whole cost of the Commission himself. That offer was made to the Chief Secretary, and the only action taken by him was to remove the representative of the oyster lessees from the board. The inspector took no action to prevent oyster stealing, and it was not until Malouf called in the police that a prosecution was instituted. He did not blame the Fisheries Board, but certain of the officers.

Mr. FITZPATRICK thought Mr. Malouf, if he felt he was being subjected to unfair treatment, could have recourse to the law courts.

Mr. M'GOWEN: His solicitors cannot tell him where he can get redress.

Mr. FITZPATRICK: Then what different position was he in from the man who had a grievance and who could not get evidence enough to prove his case? He could not understand why, if the prosecutor could not get evidence enough to convict oyster thieves, he should seek to cast the onus upon the officers of the Fisheries Board.

Mr. PRICE accused the Chief Secretary of promising to have an investigation made, and not carrying out the promise. One member of the board had been removed simply to make some show of virtue.

The CHIEF SECRETARY, who spoke with much heat, said that malice and unscrupulousness were at the bottom of the whole matter. (Cheers.) Malouf was suffering from oyster thieving, just as every other lessee was. The department had certain machinery for the purpose, not of protecting the property of lessees, but to provide a general kind of protection, in the form of inspectors. One of the inspectors appeared to have drawn to himself the ill-will of certain people inside and outside the House, and had been made the subject of an absolutely malicious attack. Yet none was prepared to come forward with specific complaints to show that the inspector was dishonest in the execution of his duty. It had been said that he had slept at Duffy's house—

Mr. CARMICHAEL: And lied about it!

The CHIEF SECRETARY: Whatever had been said about it, was that an excuse for robbing a man of his honour? Would the lives of any of the members opposite bear the same malicious investigation they were now subjecting this man to? They had raked up every equivocal statement and rumour they possibly could about the inspector, and had laid especial stress upon the statements of a policeman who blamed the inspector for not giving certain information the police wanted. Were these the proper tests to apply as to whether a man was honest in the execution of his duty? Such a thing could only be ascertained by proper investigation in a regular departmental way. (Cheers.) Such an investigation had been carried out. All the investigations that had been made had proved nothing but that oyster thieving had been going on. Malouf had been a loser by it, but there was absolutely nothing to show that the inspector had been guilty of a dereliction of duty. And because he would not agree to a Royal Commission to inquire into a set of very general allegations, governed by interested motives and malice on the part of some people, and also the desire to gain some political capital on the part of others, he was being assailed. He had already said that he would endeavour to amend the Act this session, with a view to giving the lessees more general protection, and he intended to carry out that promise. It had been insidiously suggested on every possible occasion that the board had granted certain concessions in order to prevent Malouf getting justice, and that this man and that man were conspiring to the same end. All he could say was that it appeared to represent the Oriental's conception of the justice of the white man—that Malouf was judging by what he would do himself if he got a chance. (Cheers.)

A member: What about white Australia now? (Laughter.)

The CHIEF SECRETARY: Now even I am to be attacked—

Mr. CARMICHAEL: The immaculate!

The CHIEF SECRETARY (with heat): No, I am not immaculate, but I am not corrupt. (Cheers and disorder.)

Mr. CARMICHAEL: You seem to find it eminently necessary to tell us so.

The CHIEF SECRETARY: You, however, are representing corruption outside. (Disorder.) There was no obligation upon either the inspector or the board to protect Malouf's leases any more than those of anybody else; but there was a general obligation upon Malouf and all other lessees to protect their own property. (Cheers.) The investigations had shown that the inspector was a decent, careful, and reasonably honest man.

Mr. GRIFFITH: Why "reasonably" honest?

The CHIEF SECRETARY: Because nobody but perfect people like yourself can be expected to be more than that. (Laughter and cheers.) They were in this position, that the present Act was not quite sufficient to cope with oyster thieving. It was wholly because of that that Malouf and his agents—

Mr. KELLY: He is as much a gentleman as you are.

The CHIEF SECRETARY: He hasn't the same conception of honesty as a white man.

Mr. KELLY appealed to the Speaker to say whether the Chief Secretary was justified in saying that anybody on that side of the House was the agent of Malouf. (Disorder.)

The SPEAKER: No, the hon. member must not say that.

The CHIEF SECRETARY: I did not say it. What I do say is that Malouf and his agents have from time to time assailed the honour of the inspector and the board, and now of myself; and it is time that something was said about it. If Malouf's methods were those of a white man then he would not come under his (the speaker's) castigation. It was his duty to protect public servants from the attacks of such men. The Chief Secretary proceeded to quote from a report prepared by the inspector (Mr. Latta) to the effect that Malouf had suggested Latta should resign his post, and become a partner with him in the wholesale oyster business. He refused. Malouf then made other proposals, and said that if he chose to retain his position the inspector might do so. The member of the Fisheries Board who was withdrawn was retired on public grounds, because as long as he remained a member attacks would be made on the board, and other members of it were brought within the shadow of the attacks. A new Fisheries Bill was now being prepared, and he hoped that the Fisheries Department would be administered, not more honestly, but more effectively under it than under the present defective law.

Mr. CARMICHAEL having replied, the motion was formally negatived.

SAVE THE CHILDREN.

VOLUNTARY PHILANTHROPIC EFFORT.

WORK OF THE KINDERGARTEN.

"In England we have nothing like it, and in your kindergarten work you have set an example for the old country to follow. What I admire is the far-reaching powers of the kindergarten. Its influence radiates back to the parents. (Applause.) Women are nowadays interested in so many things, and can go in for so many vocations, that there is a danger of even a girl being a 'Jack of all trades and a master of none.' So when a girl says 'What shall I do with my life?' the question of being a kindergarten teacher has been overlooked. To teach the poor and neglected little children is surely a noble ambition. But in addition to the sentimental side, there is the cold and commonsense view of the calling as a profession offering a profitable opening with a good salary, and with less strain on the constitution than other vocations. Other professions are in danger of being overcrowded; there are more nurses than places for them. But the philanthropic aspect appeals mostly to me. In some philanthropic work it means pulling out the ugly weeds of civilisation; but here it is sowing, not reaping. There are 100 girl students at the University, and probably a 1000 girls about to leave school in Sydney. Surely some of them will be inspired to avail themselves of this new opening for service." (Applause.)

In this way Lady Chelmsford, though apologising for lack of knowledge of the subject, summed up the work and the ideals of the Kindergarten Union at the annual meeting yesterday in St. James's Hall. Several of those interested in the work attended, and the annual report, read by Mrs. Davenport, showed a year of good steady work. The chief event of the year was the opening of the Commonwealth Kindergarten at Miller's Point, the building being erected by the Harbour Trust. The Newtown branch was entirely free of debt, having collected £634 in three years. The kindergarten display at the Girls' Realm Guild Exhibition attracted great attention.

Mrs. Bennett presented the balance-sheet, which showed an income of £3314 and an expenditure of £3349. A credit balance of £373 was shown.

Mr. Hogue, Minister for Public Instruction, in moving the adoption of the report and balance-sheet, said that the Kindergarten Union was doing splendid work, which the Government recognised by granting it £1000 a year. Most of the efforts in the direction of uplifting mankind began at the wrong end. They should not have to pull up the weeds, but stop the weeds from growing. They should begin with the child at the dawn of its intelligence, and they would then make good citizens, which were the country's best asset. The kindergartens saved the children from idleness, which was the parent of all crimes. The primary curse to have to earn bread by the sweat of the brow was an idea that had been criticised, and it was found to be not necessarily a curse. If all people were in Gardens of Eden there would be no progress. Work was a necessity. Play, however, was an essential to the adult as well as to the child. Very few people realised the important part play in its brightest and best sense exercised in the uplifting of the human race. He believed that the kindergarten system would be the greatest factor in civilised life in uplifting humanity. (Applause.)

Sir Philip Sydney Jones seconded the motion, and said if the Kindergarten Union in its 13 years had done nothing besides propagating the principles of Froebel it would have more than justified its existence. It lifted children out of the gutter, and worked a vast moral influence on the parents. It did away with the old idea of stuffing information into a child. It tried to draw out instead of putting in.

The report and balance-sheet were adopted.

Miss Arnold presented the report of the Kindergarten Training College, from which in December, 1908, ten students had graduated. At present there were 51 students on the roll, seven being in residence.

A vote of thanks to the Government was carried, on the motion of Mr. Fetherstonhaugh.

It was decided, on the motion of Sir Philip Sydney Jones, seconded by Mrs. J. A. Hogue, that the following be the office-bearers for the ensuing year:—

Patron, her Excellency Lady Dudley; president, Lady Chelmsford; vice-presidents, Mrs. Curnow, Mrs. Davenport, Lady Harris, Miss Margaret Harris, Mrs. Stanger Leathes, Sir Philip Sydney Jones; executive committee, Mr. P. Board, Dr. Carroll, Mr. Fetherstonhaugh, Mr. E. J. Forbes, Mrs. Julius Goldschmidt, Miss Gether, Mrs. B. F. Marks, Mrs. John Perry, Miss Consett Stephen, Mr. A. C. F. Webb, Mr. W. A. Windeyer; ex officio members, Mrs. E. J. E. Mackenzie, Miss Annie Cook, Miss Braham, Mrs. G. B. Robertson, Mrs. W. Davies, Mrs. W. Benson, Mrs. H. J. Rayment, Mrs. Olav Pauss; hon. organising secretary, Mrs. Francis Anderson; hon. recording secretary, Miss Atkinson; hon. treasurer, Mrs. Bennett; finance committee, Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. Davenport, Miss Deasily, Mr. E. J. Forbes, Mrs. Goldschmidt, Mr. A. C. F. Webb.

An amendment of the rules was made, so as to allow the property of the union to be vested in four trustees. The following were elected, on the motion of Mr. P. Board, as first trustees:—Dr. Gordon Craig, Dr. Wm. Quaife, Dr. Chas. MacLaurin, and Mr. G. B. Robertson.

NEW ZEALAND.

LAND SETTLEMENT.

WELLINGTON, Thursday.

The Acting Minister for Lands says the country is rapidly coming to an end of its land suitable for settlement in small areas. Of the Crown lands to be dealt with the bulk have been taken up in large areas by men with considerable capital.

William Alfred Masters, traveller for and representing a firm of New York hat manufacturers, has been fined £100 for smuggling opium into Wellington. The opium is valued at £300.

THE DIRTY POST OFFICE.

EXTRAORDINARY ASSERTION.

"SPECIALLY PREPARED."

MR. WILKS'S DISCLAMER.

During the sittings of the Postal Commission yesterday, the question of a dirty G.P.O. again cropped up, and during the discussion which ensued, Mr. Alex. Burnett, superintendent of mails, made an extraordinary statement to account for the filthy state of the post office when the Commission paid its surprise visit.

"I felt hurt at the time," said Mr. Burnett, "because as the officer in charge, the officers should have told me about the condition of the latrines. I complain of their want of loyalty. I am in doubt as to whether the condition of the latrines had not been prepared for your inspection."

Mr. Wilks: My answer to that is, immediately evidence was given about the filthy condition of the post office, we closed the Commission, and decided upon an immediate visit. We went to the post office straight away, and no one knew that we were going there. Before going, I gave the witness an opportunity to qualify or modify his statements.

Mr. Webster: That is so. Here is the evidence given in answer to the Commissioner's questions.

Extracts from the report of proceedings were then read.

Mr. Wilks: The press were also invited in the interests of the public, and wrote exactly what was seen entirely independent of the Commissioners.

Mr. Burnett: I complain of the officers neglecting to inform me of the condition of the place.

Mr. Wilks: Here is the evidence. I asked Cross if he had reported the state of the lavatories to his superior officer. He answered, "Not then, but on a previous occasion."

Mr. Burnett: I challenge that statement that he had ever brought any complaint to me that had not been attended to. Cross said in his evidence that there was in the department an utter absence of organisation. That is a gross libel on me. I deny it as absolutely untrue—absolutely incorrect would be more Parliamentary. I am maligned in the public eye by the general statement of a junior officer. That is not fair play.

NORTH COAST RAILWAY.

WEST MAITLAND, Thursday.

The North Coast railway contractors' locomotor arrived on Thursday and was running on the new line in the afternoon. Rails are now laid as far as Waika waterworks, but with the aid of the locomotive greater progress is expected. The bridge over the Hunter at Oakhampton should be reached in a few days.

COUNTRY NEWS.

BULAHDELAH, Thursday.

The Bishop of Newcastle, Dr. Stretch, arrived here on Wednesday on an official visit. He left this morning for Nabiac.

CONDOBOLIN, Thursday.

The Condobolin School of Arts have elected the following officers:—President, Mr. William Maitland; vice-president, Mr. Thos. Tasker; treasurer, Mr. R. J. Parker; hon. sec. pro tem., Mr. V. W. Ashworth. It was resolved to invite applications for the position of secretary. Mr. E. J. Emmett was reappointed librarian.

GLEN INNES, Thursday.

Dr. Cope has disposed of his practice to Dr. Corfe, late of Peak Hill, and is leaving for Brisbane.

SPORTING.

THE TURF.

The progressive state of the turf in the Commonwealth and New Zealand is evidenced at the close of each season, when the appearance of the "Australasian Turf Register" invariably shows an appreciable increase in the number of pages that contain the annual records of the national sport. The 44th volume of that indispensable publication is to hand from the publishers, the proprietors of the "Australasian," Collins-street, Melbourne, and contains over 50 pages more than the previous issue, thus showing a very substantial increase of space for the records of the season just ended. The work comprises a full report of racing in the Commonwealth and New Zealand, together with an index, containing the names of nearly 7500 running horses, with colour, sex, age, and pedigree attached, as well as their full performances. Included in its pages are the winners of the principal Australian races in tabular form, lists of winning owners and sires for the past season, entries for the coming classic events throughout the Commonwealth, sales of blood stock, registered colours in Victoria, New South Wales, South Australia, and Queensland, the A.J.C. and V.R.C. rules of racing, and w.f.a. scales, and other useful information for students of horse-racing. The work bears evidence of care and accuracy in compilation, is printed on good material, and handsomely bound in blue cloth.

The scratchings notified yesterday in connection with the A.J.C. Spring Meeting were Microscope out of the Epsom Handicap, and Lurline colt and M'Ilwraith out of the Derby.

Dubbo Amateur Nursery Race Club (October 27) and Kyogle Jockey Club (October 20) race meetings have been granted registration by the A.J.C.

The remains of the late Mr. Thos. Ivory were interred yesterday in the Waverley Cemetery, in the presence of a large concourse, which included the immediate relatives of the deceased sportsman and several well-known racing men, as well as most of the trainers and jockeys in the metropolitan district. The services at the graveside were conducted by the Rev. Canon Hough.

The satisfactory total of 157 entries was received yesterday for the pony and galloway meeting next Wednesday at Victoria Park.

Messrs. MacCabe, Morton, and Co. report having leased, on account of Messrs. Hope Osborne Bros., of Jujiong, the chestnut mare Margo, by Argonaut (imp.) from Maggie May, to Warwick Chaffe, of Randwick. The firm has also leased to that trainer, on account of Mr. W. S. Dodds, the two-year-old filly by Lancaster from Tricky, for a term of two years; and to P. J. Sottero, of Croydon, the imported mare Very Canny.

The withdrawals recorded yesterday in connection with the Rosehill Second August Meeting were: E.K.W. out of the Hurdle Race; Sayndon out of the Maiden Handicap; Monobel, Brilliant Boy, Gaby, and Loyal Blue out of the Dundas Handicap; Monobel and Marlee out of the Rosehill Handicap; The Reckoning out of the Carlingford Mile; and Patronatus and Ayrbrook out of all engagements.

A very heavy fog was in evidence at Randwick yesterday morning, and the early beginners, Son of the Marsh, Golden Slipper, Blue Garments, Ennismar, Antonia, Flavigny, Britain, Adjacent, and Frederick were unable to be timed. After some time had elapsed the fog dispersed, and the work proceeded satisfactorily, most of the gallops being executed on the "magpie" track. Kyeadgerie and Dinyah, separately, ran a circle at a strong pace, and Rose Linnet spurted a few furlongs. Wood King had a bit the better of Outbreak over a round, run in 2m 5s, a very good gallop. Footpad and Gaby got over a mile in good style in 1m 50s, a distance that Flavel and Ambassador left behind in 1m 47½s. Ballantrae was restricted to a strongly-run five furlongs, and he shaped very well, while Ungarie and Prince Foote did strong work over a round. Vavasor was content with a useful six furlongs, but Black Range and Banquo ran five furlongs in 1m 9s, Scotch Pie and Golden City running the same journey at a strong pace. Mountain King easily ran three-quarters of a mile in 1m 22s, and Anteuil slipped over the same course in 1m 18½s. Simmerina and Flying Machine spurted half a mile in 52s, and Artillerie got over five furlongs in 1m 8½s. Maltin easily ran half a mile in 54½s, while Sestos and Latitude knocked 2½s off that time for the same journey. Grey Plume ran a mile nicely in 1m 45½s, and Blue Book and Maltose cast seven furlongs behind in 1m 33s. Tabu and Osiris ran a circle in 2m 6½s, and Maranui negotiated three-quarters of a mile leisurely in 1m 25s. Wallensia and Gidyea disposed of four furlongs in 52s. War Bee and Shaftesbury went well over a mile, run in 1m 47½s, while Danilo and Torula ran a furlong less in 1m 33s. Merei spurted five furlongs nicely in 1m 7½s, and several others did useful work. On the tan, Nadir ran six furlongs at a strong pace, and Arizona got over a circle in good style.

The annual report and balance-sheet of the Bathurst Turf Club, to be submitted to the members on Thursday next, shows a satisfactory state of things for the period under review. During the season three race meetings were held, all of which showed a substantial profit; while a number of improvements were effected, including additional horseboxes, commodious tea-room, sheep-proof fencing the track, sinking well, and purchase of pumping plant, appointments in the grand stand and St. Leger stands, draining the track, and forming a new six furlongs starting place, the total cost of which was £750. The prize-money distributed during the year amounted to £855, as against £400 in the previous 12 months, while the club opens the current season with the satisfactory balance of £377 in hand. The progress of the club is shown by the fact that the total turnover for the previous season was £1360, while that for the season just ended was £2477. The receipts included members' subscriptions, £184 6s; grand stand and gates, £369 12s 6d; bookmakers' fees, £178 4s; rights and privileges, £278 19s; nominations and acceptances, £284 8s; training fees, £36 12s 6d; grass rent and agistment, £42 18s; donations, £88 10s; and minor items, amounting to £23 6s, while the credit balance at the opening of the season was £399 16s 5d; making a grand total of £2477 2s 11d.

Among the horses holding engagements in connection with the N.S.W. Trotting Club's meeting on Saturday are such well-known performers as Almont, Talbragar, Ribbonite, Valour, Tommy II., Patrick G., Maybe, John Cleve, and Maggie S., and their presence should ensure excellent sport. The track at Epping is reported to be in first-class condition.

The committee of the Victoria Racing Club has decided upon the programme for the current racing season, and several alterations has been made as compared with the card for last season. The difficulty of securing light boys has been responsible for raising the weights for the Maribyrnong Trial Stakes (for two-year-olds) included in the programme for the October reunion, colts to carry 7st 10lb, geldings 7st 7lb, and fillies 7st 5lb; and the Hunters Steeplechase at the same meeting has been eliminated in favour of an open cross-country event, endowed with 150 sovs. In connection with the Spring Meeting the committee has wisely eliminated the Encourage Stakes from the card for Melbourne Cup Day, leaving half a dozen events as on the other days of the reunion. On the fourth day the Second Nursery Handicap of 300 sovs will give place to the Mimosa Stakes for two-year-olds, special weights, and endowed with 500 sovs. The Autumn Meeting will be held on Saturday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, owing to the abolition of the half-holiday on the Wednesday. The sweepstakes for the All-aged Stakes in connection with that meeting has been reduced from 20 to 10 sovs, and those for the Champion Stakes from 25 to 20 sovs. The April meeting will be dropped altogether, but the Prince of Wales' Birthday Meeting will be a two-days fixture, with 2250 sovs added money, distributed over a dozen events. Hitherto there have been only five races on the card for each of the days of the Grand National Steeplechase Meeting, but an additional race will be included in the next programme for each day, with 200 sovs added money.

Recent advices from New Zealand record the death of Musket Maid, at Mangere Mountain. Musket Maid was one of the oldest brood mares in the Dominion, having been foaled in the middle "eighties," and was by Musket from Miss Ariel, by Dainty Ariel from a mare by Pacific out of a New South Wales-bred mare (without pedigree), imported by an officer of a British regiment stationed at Auckland. Musket Maid was the dam of that great performer Waiuku and other horses of less note.

The inquiry into the running of the Gaulus colt Colossus in the Qualified Welter Handicap at the Q.T.C. meeting last week was concluded by the Q.T.C. stewards on Monday last, with the result that 12 months' disqualification was imposed on the colt's lessee (J. P. Arthur), trainer (T. M'Namara), and rider (W. J. Ryan). The colt was also disqualified until the expiration of his lease in March next year.

The Queensland Turf Club is reported to have made a profit of £1500 over the late winter reunion at Eagle Farm.

At a sale of thoroughbred stock at Brisbane on Monday last the following changed hands:—Moree, by Mostyn from Miss Trenton, Messrs. D. C. M'Connell and Sons, 170 gns.; Model, by Mostyn from Mooroороо, Mr. W. G. Goodrich (N.S.W.), 125 gns.; Topman, by Nobleman from Topsy, Mr. A. J. Kahl, 150 gns.; Programme, by Little Bernie from Pinafore, Mr. T. A. Lanigan, 55 gns.; and Bruce, by Dundonald from Tooloona, Messrs. Symes Bros., 50 gns.

The secretary of the Richmond River Turf Club at Casino reports that the recent race meetings were very successful financially. The Richmond River Turf Club's two days' racing will result in a profit of over £200, and that of the Casino Jockey Club will be something between £40 and £50.

The Grafton gelding Workmaster, who proved such a disappointment at the recent jumping campaign in Victoria, has been misbehaving himself since his return to Adelaide. One day last week he broke away from his attendant, and, colliding with several objects in his track, cut himself badly in several places before he was recaptured.

The Wagga Licensed Victuallers' Racing Club has provided prize-money totalling £285 for the two days' meeting on October 5 and 6.

A large percentage of jumpers on both sides of the Murray hail from the Wagga district. Among the latest candidates for jumping honours now schooling over the light timber on the Wagga racecourse are Clovelly (by Solitary) and Prose (full-brother to Eppo), by Epinicion.

Those critics of breeding who profess to believe that the good racehorse is merely a freak will (says a N.Z. exchange) find a hard nut to crack if they study the racing statistics of the past season. All Red, by Stepniak, is the most successful winner, with stakes amounting to £3230 opposite his name; Provocation, out of a full-sister to Stepniak, is second, with stakes amounting to £2560; Armlet, by a son of Stepniak (Menschikoff), is third, her winnings amounting to £2145; and Stepniak is second amongst the winning sires, with 66 representatives earning £12,976. As Stepniak will soon be located in the Auckland district, owners of Soult mares should recognise the value of combining the two most successful lines of blood in the Dominion.

The thoroughbred mare Jute has been retired from active service on the turf, and will this season be mated with the imported horse Antonio.

R. Simmons' string at Newcastle has recently been increased by a couple of three-year-olds by Haut Boy, bred by Mr. J. E. Pengelly at Yarraman. One is a brown filly whose dam is the erstwhile speedy Mavis; and the other a gelding from a mare by Fucile (son of Carbine).

With the view of getting them accustomed to the excitement of the racecourse, James Swan had a couple of two-year-old fillies, the property of Mr. John Brown, of Newcastle, under his charge at Broadmeadow on the opening day of the Newcastle August meeting. The youngsters were both handsome bays, one by Trussing Cup (imp.) from Sundial (imp.), by Kendal; and the other by imported Simile from Cheapglass (imp.), by Isinglass.

Advices from Melbourne state that the Sydney Cup winner Trafalgar is pleasing his connections in his work, and his prospects in connection with the Melbourne Cup, in which he has been allotted 8st 1lb, are being favourably discussed in southern sporting circles.

Confederate, who won the Australian Steeplechase at Caulfield on Saturday, is a stoutly-bred horse, the dominant blood in his pedigree being the stout strains of Yattendon. He was bred at the Berry Jerry stud, near Wagga, and is by Associate (son of Chester's brother, Roodee, by Yattendon) from The Cripple, by Bengal (grandson of Yattendon) from Louie, by Melbourne from a Yattendon mare.

Sir George Clifford heads the list of winning owners for the past season in New Zealand with £6757 10s, the bulk of which was earned by the three-year-old colts Husbandman and Flitaway, and the two-year-old Broadsword, all of whom were bred by their owner. Mr. T. H. Lowry follows with £5417 10s, the bulk of which was secured by Bobrikoff; then succeed Mr. E. J. Watt, £5247; Mr. J. D. Ormond, £5062 10s; and Mr. W. E. Bidwill, £3385.

Dhobi, a four-year-old son of Ranfurly and Laundress, who under 8st 7lb won the Malakoff Stakes at Caulfield on Saturday, should, all going well in the meantime, have a good chance in the Caulfield Cup, in which he has been allotted 7st 5lb.

BENDIGO RACES POSTPONED.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The Bendigo races were postponed to-day, on account of the rain.

NORTH AND NORTH-WEST RACING ASSOCIATION.

TAMWORTH, Thursday.

Delegates were present from Tamworth, Walcha, Bingara, Quirindi, Tingha, Glen Innes, Uralla, Warialda, Werris Creek, Gunnedah, and Narrabri at the committee meeting of the North and North-west Racing Association. A letter was read from the Australian Jockey Club, offering £150 a year towards the cost of a stipendiary steward, and it was decided to invite applications for the position at a salary of £300 a year. A motion was passed that a race meeting be held at Tamworth on July 19 and 20. A sub-committee was appointed to confer with the A.J.C. on matters affecting the association. It was unanimously decided not to allow applications of proprietary clubs. The racing dates for the various clubs were allotted.

COROWA RACE CLUB.

BURGLARESS WINS SHOW HANDICAP.

COROWA, Thursday.

The Show Meeting of the Corowa Race Club was held to-day, when the attendance was much better than that at the fixture of the previous year. The weather was fine.

Results:—

Hurdle Race.—Clovelly, by Solitary—Porloch, 9st 11lb, 1; Yokohama, 1st 2lb, 2. Betting: 6 to 4 v Clovelly, 2 to 1 v Admiral Rous. Time, 4m 17s.

Trial Stakes.—Gorgette, by George Frederick—Coquette, 8st 4lb, 1; Senorina, 8st, 2. Betting: 4 to 1 each v Georgette and Senorina. Time, 1m 21s.

Show Handicap.—Burglaress, by The Burglar—Iris, 7st 13lb, 1; Admiral Rous, 9st 5lb, 2. Betting: 5 to 4 on Burglaress, 5 to 4 v Admiral Rous. Time, 1m 51s.

Welter Handicap.—Spring Chicken, by Invermay—Patience, 8st 13lb, 1; Burglaress, 10st 1lb, inc. 7lb penalty, 2; Demand, 8st 11lb, 3. Betting: 5 to 2 on Spring Chicken, 2 to 1 v Burglaress. Time, 1m 35s.

Flying Handicap.—Politely, by Amherst (imp.)—Courtesy, 7st 13lb, 1; Miss Gambol, 7st 4lb, 2. Betting: 2 to 1 on Politely, 3 to 1 v Admiral Rous.

NEW ZEALAND CUP WEIGHTS.

WELLINGTON, Thursday.

The weights were declared to-day for the New Zealand Cup, 2 miles, to be run at the Spring Meeting of the above club, and the top weights have been allotted as under:—All Red, 9st 4lb; Bobrikoff, 8st 13lb; Zimmerman, 8st 13lb; Signor, 8st 12lb.

COURSING.

N.S.W. NATIONAL COURSING ASSOCIATION.

The N.S.W. National Coursing Association commenced a two days' meeting at the Woodstock enclosure yesterday. There was a good attendance, including several motor-car parties of ladies and gentlemen from the city. The weather was perfect. The hares were strong, and gave many a fine race before they were reached. Mr. J. O'Connell was hon. judge. Results:—

AUGUST STAKES.

For 15 all ages that have never received prize money in any stake, and £5 added by the association. Winner, £8 and £5 added; runner-up, £3 10s.

First Round.—Amati beat Wrapper, Lady Della beat Dolly Dimple; M.A.N. beat Taurus Boy, Apple Bloom beat Sir Charley, Kilmurry beat La Plume, Loney beat Hardwood, Footprint beat Yampah, Topsy a bye.

First Ties.—Amati beat Lady Della, M.A.N. beat Apple Bloom, Loney beat Kilmurry, Topsy beat Footprint.

ROOTY HILL STAKES.

For 17 all ages, that have never received more than £10 in any one stake, and £10 added by the association. Winner, £12 and £7 added; runner-up, £6 and £3 added.

First Round.—Dainty Dancer beat Korourus, Dillander beat Leporine, Ripper Jack beat Black Bitmer (after an undecided), Middle Harbour beat Connie Mar, Glenore beat Rattler, Blacktown beat Federal Revenue, Malta beat Merry Widow, Water Glass beat Unlucky Jack, By Joe a bye.

First Ties.—Dainty Dancer beat Dillander, Middle Harbour beat Ripper Jack, Blacktown beat Glenore, By Joe beat Malta, Waterglass a bye.

THE DEWAR STAKES.

For 10 all ages, and trophy presented by Messrs. John Dewar and Sons. Winner, £15 and trophy, runner-up, £6.

First Round.—Bold Princess beat Black Cherry, Black Cygnet beat Leap Frog, Bold Chief beat Kilseke, Carbine Booth beat Bald Face; King o' the Dell beat Attention.

First Ties.—Black Cygnet beat Bold Princess, Carbine beat Bold Chief, King o' the Dell a bye.

The finals of the above stakes will be decided to-day, and also the Sapling Stakes, for which the following is the draw:—

No. 1 Sapling Stake, 4 dogs at £1 1s; winner £4 4s.—Only v Kilcummin, Patent Oilskin v Last Mistake.

No. 2 Sapling Stake, 3 bitches at £1 1s; winner £3 3s.—Dusty Lou v Windflower, Quenching Planet a bye.

The train for Rooty Hill will leave Sydney at 10.15.

MUDGEE, Thursday.

Owing to the price of hares—a rise to ten shillings per pair—the local coursing club has decided to abandon the meeting fixed for Wednesday next.

CYCLING AND MOTORING.

DUNLOP ROAD RACE.

For the annual Dunlop road race (from Goulburn to Sydney on September 18) a huge entry has already been received from riders desirous of winning some of the £100 prizes to be distributed. Many Victorian, Queensland, and Tasmanian cyclists have signified their intention of starting. As the road from Goulburn to Sydney is in good order, and likely to be so for some time, a new record for the distance will probably be made in the coming race.

MOTOR CYCLE CHAMPIONSHIP.

The Eight-hours Demonstration committee has arranged to hold a race for the motor cycle championship on October 27. The event will be decided on the Sports Ground, and will be open to motorists affiliated with the newly-formed Auto-cycle Union. The distance will probably be five miles.

AUSTRALIAN BICYCLE CLUB.

The Australian Bicycle Club has been resuscitated. The affiliation fee has been paid, and a list of members has been submitted to the League of Wheelmen for approval. It is understood that several riders, who left the Peerless Club, have thrown in their lot with the new body.

ANNANDALE CLUB.

The Annandale Bicycle Club has a 10-mile road race down for decision at Homebush on August 28.

HORNSBY SHIRE COUNCIL AND MOTORISTS.

The Hornsby Shire has recently had erected notices on the main road, warning motorists that they must not exceed 10 miles an hour. The police have received instructions to keep a lookout for anyone who breaks the new regulations.

SYDNEY MOTOR CYCLE CLUB.

Mr. E. Tyson, secretary of the Sydney Motor Club, states that monthly competitions, open to amateur motorists, will be held; the first on September 4. It will be a hill-climbing test at Dundas, near Ryde. Entries close on August 28. On the following month a reliability run will be conducted over a 100-mile course—probably Taverner's Hill to Picton and back. This will be followed by a petrol consumption trial over the Kensington-La Perouse-road.

GRAND PRIX.

WON BY FRIOL, OF FRANCE.

Latest files give particulars of the great annual Grand Prix bicycle race. Major Taylor and others who formerly visited Australia qualified for the initial heats. The contest was decided on the municipal track, Vincennes, in the presence of 20,000 spectators, and Friol won.

The Amateur Grand Prix, decided at the same meeting, was won by Schilles.

WILLOUGHBY DISTRICT CLUB.

The following are the handicaps for the Willoughby Club's five-mile road race, to be run over the Chatswood course to-morrow:—W. Bremeyer, scr; O. Clafton, 25s; B. Fisher, P. Boyce, 55s; J. C. M'Naught, W. Sack, and R. A. Mantova, 1m; W. Cook, W. Lynch, R. H. Mashford, and R. G. Woolridge, 1m 10s; F. Mashford and T. Cheal, 1m 20s; T. Gore and A. Gow, 1m 50s; W. Budnick, L. Budnick, O'Kentwell, J. R. Field, B. Crawley, H. Howard, and R. Turner, 2m; G. Ewington, 2m 10s; C. R. Taylor, J. Fay, 2m 50s; H. Schofield, 3m 10s.

GOLF.

N.S.W. LADIES' GOLF UNION.

Entries close to-morrow for the Coronation Medal competition, to be played on the Killara links on Tuesday, play beginning at 12.

DRUMMOYNE G.C.

Associate Members.

Bogey competition for a trophy presented by Mrs. Ireland:—

Mrs. Wilkinson (14), 2 down.
Miss Moore (16), 6 down.
Mrs. Smith (16), 7 down.

FOOTBALL.

RUGBY UNION.

The Metropolitan Business College defeated a combined team of Smith-Premier Business College and Messrs. Nock and Kirby on Petersham Oval on Wednesday by 15 points to 3.

NEW ZEALAND MATCH.

WELLINGTON (N.Z.), Wednesday.

In Rugby football Taranaki defeated Hawkes Bay by 14 points to 8.

BOWLS.

NEW SOUTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

RETIREMENT OF THE PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY.

Mr. W. M'Leod, who succeeded the late Mr. John Young as president of the New South Wales Bowling Association, will retire from the position at the end of the bowling year next month. Many efforts have been made to induce Mr. M'Leod to continue to preside over the bowling of this State, and even when the Victorian bowlers were in Sydney last Easter, Mr. Charles Wood, president of the Victorian Association, and other members of the visiting team, also used their influence to persuade Mr. M'Leod to continue in office. As far as the New South Wales players are concerned, every bowler feels that while no man is indispensable, it would be difficult to get anyone to fill the position of president so well as Mr. M'Leod has done. But all efforts to induce Mr. M'Leod to continue in office have failed, and the association at its annual meeting in September will be called upon to elect his successor.

A number of names are mentioned, but the gentleman who seems to command the greatest support is Mr. George Raffan, of the Randwick Club. Indeed, it is said that if he will contest the seat there will be no opposition.

But bowlers are not only going to lose the services of their president; they are to receive a double blow by the retirement at the same time of the secretary, Mr. Whitehouse. As secretary to the association he has rendered yeoman service, and his work during the past year has been exceptionally heavy, for the association had dealt with some knotty subjects. The rules have all been revised, and the question of the adoption of a bowl tester is still undecided.

There are several aspirants to the office. For several years Mr. Morgan, of the Petersham club, filled the position with honour and credit to all concerned, and a strong movement is now on foot to get him to allow himself to be again nominated. The election for this position will also take place at the annual meeting of the association in September.

PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY TO BE ENTERTAINED.

The delegates to the association will entertain Messrs. M'Leod and Whitehouse at a banquet on August 24, and on August 26 the bowlers as a whole will entertain them at a smoke concert. Both functions are to take place at Aarons' Exchange Hotel.

NEW SOUTH WALES v QUEENSLAND.

New South Wales Team.

Arrangements are now being made for playing the annual interstate matches, New South Wales v Queensland, in Brisbane, on September 14, 15, and 16, and while on their tour the N.S.W. team will visit several clubs in the northern State.

The following players have been selected to represent New South Wales:—

Blundell (Ashfield), Groth (Mosman), Labalastier (St. George), Louden (St. George).

Barnes (Mosman), Kirton (Woonona), Thorpe (City), Forsberg (City).

Hope (Waverley), Dean (Waverley), Cox (Waverley), Coates (Parramatta).

Crouch (Randwick), Nelson (Randwick), Raffan (Randwick), Morgan (Petersham).

Emergencies: M'Millan (St. George), Barkell (Waverley), Fullwood (Waverley), Pedley (City).

A meeting of the team will be held on Monday, to elect a manager and make other arrangements.

The team will leave Sydney about September 12.

TEAM FOR THE SOUTH.

This morning the president and secretary will take a team, consisting of delegates to the association, as far as Wollongong and Woonona. The players will leave Sydney by the 8.30 a.m. train, and will play in Wollongong in the afternoon. On Saturday morning they will return as far as Woonona, and meet the local players on Saturday afternoon. The team will be a four-rinked one.

LAWN TENNIS.

DISTRICT MATCHES.

The records of final match, North Sydney v Middle Harbour:—

NORTH SYDNEY.

	Rubbers.	Sets.	Games.
Singles	5	11	86
Doubles	2	4	45
Totals	7	15	131

Records of Players.

	Rubbers.	Sets.	Games.
Singles—			
G. W. Wright	2	4	24
H. Marsh	1	3	30
G. Sayers	1	2	15*
N. Turton	1	2	17
Doubles—			
Wright and Marsh	2	4	38
Turton and Sayers	0	0	7

MIDDLE HARBOUR.

	Rubbers.	Sets.	Games.
Singles	2	5	67
Doubles	2	6	55
Totals	4	11	122

Record of Players.

	Rubbers.	Sets.	Games.
Singles—			
A. Campbell	1	2	19
R. N. Kidston	0	0	19
P. B. Colquhoun	1	3	[illegible]
D. Webb	0	0	6*
Doubles—			
Colquhoun and Campbell	1	3	25
Kidston and Webb	1	3	30

* One rubber (Sayers v Webb) not played.

ROYAL SYDNEY G.C.

The following matches in the mixed doubles' handicap are to be played off by Saturday, August 28:—H. K. Maxwell and Miss O. King v Dr. and Mrs. Fairfax, G. G. Nathan and Miss A. King v Dr. MacLaurin and Mrs. Antill, Lieutenant Alcock, R.N., and Miss Williams v E. W. Wickham and Miss Lingen, K. Bennett and Miss M. Campbell v S. S. Garrick and Miss Greene. Dr. and Mrs. Sheldon will play winner of H. K. Maxwell and Miss King v Dr. and Mrs. Fairfax.

DOUST AND POIDEVIN SUCCESSFUL IN DOUBLES.

S. N. Doust and L. O. S. Poidevin won the doubles at the Gipsy open tournament, at which the North London championships are contested. In the first round they had a bye, and in the second defeated Ingram and Sawyer (6-1, 6-1). Their next opponents were Green and "White," who were beaten 6-3, 8-6. Bentley and M'Nair extended them in the semi-final, the sets being 7-5, 7-5. In the final their opponents were Roper Barrett and Beamish, and the Australians defeated them 4-6, 6-3, 6-4.

In the singles, Poidevin was beaten (6-2, 6-4) by Bentley; and Doust, after beating Tyaw (6-1, 6-3), was defeated by Mavrogordato (6-0, 6-4). In the final Mavrogordato beat Roper Barrett 0-6, 6-3, 6-3, a very creditable performance. Like most of the tournaments in England this season, play was much interfered with by rain, and the winner, who is of light build, appeared less affected by the slippery courts than his opponents.

Parker and Quill took part in the Leicestershire championships at the Ashby meeting. Parker got into the final of the singles, beating Fridmore 6-0, 6-0, Attwood 6-1, 6-2, and Sampson 6-2, 6-1. In the final against E. R. Allen rain put a stop to play when Allen was leading 2-6, 6-4, 6-0, 5-4, and the first prize was divided. Quill met Curtis, and was defeated 8-6, 6-1 in the first round.

In the doubles, H. E. Dawes and J. E. Dawes beat Parker and Quill 6-3, 5-7, 6-4 in the semi-final. Quill was handicapped at 4-6 in the singles handicap, and won two rounds before being defeated.

LADIES' HOCKEY.

COOEYANNA I. v BEDFORD COLLEGE.

This match was played on Rushcutter Bay Oval on Wednesday afternoon, and resulted in a win for Cooeyanna by 5 to nil.

ATHLETICS.

ROZELLE A.A.C.

Following are the handicaps for the Rozelle Amateur Club's five miles open road race on Saturday:—R. Roy, T. Gannon, H. T. Smith, scr; F. Flowers, E. Anstiss, 30s; G. S. Gardiner, 40; E. Fanackerley, W. H. Lodge, W. O'Reilly, 60; W. H. Mitchell, W. A. Ball, R. Bosley, 75; A. Whipp, A. Anderson, E. Clark, E. Mansen, C. Colbert, H. Collis, A. Todorovitch, J. Haigh, A. Bugden, H. Campbell, L. Quinn, C. Bishop, J. Sharp, R. M'Quade, W. J. Munro, 80; C. Heath, H. Jones, J. Hawkins, W. Heath, A. Graham, J. M'Laughlin, W. Neilsen, B. Jones, F. Miller, B. Denham, T. Denham, B. Smith, J. Kirkpatrick, D. Black, P. Burns, 85; G. H. Matthews, R. J. Stedman, B. Hoskins, 90; N. M'Kinnon, A. J. Scherer, D. Chestnut, F. Johnson, H. Webb, 95; C. de Mars, A. Beattie, J. Todorovitch, R. J. Hull, 100; G. Tibbett, 105; J. Clifford, 110; J. Rae, J. M'Kinnon, E. Hoskins, 120; J. Mealing, 100; J. O'Dwyer, 170; A. Barclay, 180.

BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES OFFICERS' RECREATION CLUB.

This year the above club will hold an interbank championship over a distance of 100yds, which will carry with it a gold medal given by the general manager (Mr. J. Russell French), as well as the title of champion. This event is open to all the associated banks. Nominations close on October 18. The meeting will be held on the Sydney Cricket Ground No. 2, on October 23.

SOUTH SYDNEY HARRIERS.

The above club will decide the following events at Tempe on Saturday:—100yds, 880yds, 1m walk, and hop, step, and jump handicaps.

Entries close on Saturday for the 880yds open handicap at the Sydney Cricket Ground on 28th instant.

ARMIDALE, Thursday.

J. F. Hiddins, second man in the recent Marathon road race at Armidale, has challenged the winner to contest a six miles race for £10 a side. Alfred Devlin has accepted the challenge, and the race will take place on September 8.

SAILING.

At the Sydney Club's annual meeting on Tuesday evening (Mr. T. H. Jones presiding), office-bearers were elected for the ensuing season as follows:—Patron, Alderman Allen Taylor (Lord Mayor); president, Mr. T. H. Jones; commodore, Mr. G. Holmes; vice-commodore, Mr. A. E. Carpenter; rear-commodore, Mr. W. M. Ford, jun.; trustees, Messrs. J. Ryan and S. Cowie; hon. treasurer, Mr. M. Weslan; hon. secretary, Mr. A. Jones; committee, Messrs. J. M. Firth, E. Brown, P. Cowie, W. Weslau, J. Smith, T. Shirley, H. Langford, P. E. Roberts, and W. Anderson; hon. treasurer, Mr. W. R. Griffith.

The report for last season disclosed a healthy condition of affairs. There were ten club races, in addition to a handicap in conjunction with the Sydney Flying Squadron, and fourteen boats participated in the prize-money of £155. Mr. W. M. Ford's Australian won the 18ft championship, but Eileen (W. Read) headed the list of prize-winners with £22, though she was closely followed by Australian with £21. In reference to the finances, the receipts totalled £359 18s, of which the principal items were:—Steamer returns, £273 2s; registrations and entrance fees, £57; membership fees, £6 7s 6d; donations, £20 10s 6d. The expenditure totalled £350 4s 10d, the largest payments being: Prize-money, £155; steamer hire and wharfage, £105. The club's operations for the season showed a credit balance of £9 13s 2d, and this amount, when added to the balance in hand, leaves the club with a credit balance of £63 10s.

SWIMMING.

CURL CURL SURF AND LIFE-SAVING CLUB.

The first general meeting of the Curl Curl Surf and Life-saving Club was held, when Mr. C. N. Backhouse occupied the chair.

Mr. Backhouse outlined the objects of the club, and referred to surf-bathing as the most important factor in the progress of Manly.

The following were the office-bearers elected for the ensuing season:—Patron, Dr. Arthur, M.L.A.; president, Mr. W. H. C. M'Intosh; vice-presidents, Messrs. C. N. Backhouse, Read, and F. W. Heaton; captain, Mr. Barnell; vice-captain, Mr. M'Gregor; hon. secretary, Mr. C. E. Oliver; hon. treasurer, Mr. E. R. Wild.

SKATING.

BROKEN HILL, Thursday.

A ten miles skating race last night resulted:—King, 1, Westley 2, Evans, 3, in the excellent time of 30m 35⅗s. Eight started, but only three finished. Several fell, and one fainted.

ROWING.

LISMORE, Thursday.

The rowing club's single scull final resulted:—J. Frohmuller, 16s, 1; D. Robertson, 13s, 2.

HOMING.

NEWTOWN SOCIETY.

The first club race of the season was from Gunning, distance (air-line) 125 miles. The birds were in charge of Mr. Stevens, official liberator, who liberated them at 12 noon, and the first bird arrived home at 3.7 p.m. The result was as follows:—1, A. Sheffield, with a velocity of 1162yds 1ft 8in per minute; 2, A. Hay, 1162yds 7in; 3, J. Payten, 1151yds 11in; 4, G. Cooper, 1147yds 8in; 5, D. O'Brien, 1142yds 1ft 3in; 6, H. M'Kinnon, 1140yds 7in; 7, C. B. Cunningham, 1139 yds 10in; 8, F. Kahler, 1133yds 2ft 11in; 9, F. Turner, 1132yds 2ft 3in; 10, J. Crook, 1132yds 1ft 6in; 11, E. Tansley, 1130yds 2ft 2in; 12, T. Tomes, 1128yds 2ft 3in; 13, G. Dibble, 1127yds 1ft; 14, A. Hillier, 1126yds 4in.

The Botany Homing Pigeon Society held a race from Gunning on August 7, 100 birds competing. The results of the race were as follows:—Mr. E. Goddard, first, velocity 1086yds 1ft 4in per minute; Mr. W. Poole, second, velocity 1073yds 1ft 1in per minute; Mr. J. Poole, third, velocity 1072yds 0ft 11in per minute; Mr. R. Hayes, fourth, 1070yds 0ft 6in per minute; Mr. S. Speechley, fifth, 1068yds 1ft 10in per minute; Mr. E. Weeks, sixth, 1066yds 0ft 9in per minute; Mr. W. Page, seventh, 1064yds 0ft 9in per minute; Mr. M. Longfield, eighth, 1063yds 2ft 11in per minute; Mr. M. Tattersall, ninth, 1063yds 1ft 1in per minute. Other competitors were well up.

BILLIARDS.

NEW NATIONAL TOURNAMENT.

The above was continued last night, with the following results:—J. Logan (rec. 120) beat J. Lemon (rec. 165) by 13, J. Cohen (rec. 70) beat B. Jonas (rec. 90) by 15. The draw for the semi-final is as follows:—J. Wyatt (rec. 65) v S. Levy (rec. 40), J. Cohen (rec. 70) v J. Logan (rec. 120). These games will be played to-night, play to commence at 8 o'clock sharp.

MARKERS' TOURNAMENT.

The third round of the above was continued last night, at Messrs. Heiron and Smith's new rooms, 256 Castlereagh-street, and resulted as follows:—F. Weiss, jun. (rec. 185) beat H. Rolfe (rec. 260) by 18; G. Boati (rec. 225) beat "Bill" (rec. 255) by 75. The games for to-night are:—F. Smith, jun. (scr.) v W. J. Smith (rec. 245), M. M'Deed (rec. 265) v G. Leffler, jun. (rec. 225).

N.S.W. SPORTS CLUB.

The New South Wales Sports Club tournament was continued last night, when C. M'Coy (rec. 80) beat A. Bern (rec. 90) by 21, J. North (rec. 70) beat W. Kerby (rec. 150) by 31. The games for to-night are:—Roach (rec. 115) v J. Hurley (rec. 100), and W. Kerr (rec. 100) v P. Usher (rec. 150).

BOXING.

NEW ZEALAND CHAMPIONSHIP.

WELLINGTON, Thursday.

Unholz, of South Africa, defeated Tracey, of Wellington, for the professional boxing championship of New Zealand.

NO-LICENSE IN AMERICA

A meeting of the general council of the Prohibition Party was held on Wednesday night. Mr. F. Reed presided. Included in the correspondence was a communication from the associated prohibition press of America stating that in June last there were nine whole States, with a population of 16,301,000, and covering an area of 477,459 square miles, which had completely outlawed the liquor traffic; that, in addition, there were 375 cities, with a population ranging from 5000 to 175,000 each, and two-thirds of the country districts of the remaining States were free from saloons; that 14 other States were preparing for a referendum, and all expected to carry prohibition within the next five years; that 25,000,000 school children were receiving definite scientific instruction in regard to the nature and effects of alcohol; that every railway in America, with an aggregate of 2,000,000 employees, require strict abstinence on and a large proportion of them off duty; that 65 leading fraternal organisations, with a combined membership exceeding 7,000,000, refused to accept makers or sellers of intoxicating liquors as members; and that nearly the entire Christian Church was arrayed in favour of total abstinence and prohibition.

The position of the no-license question at Broken Hill was discussed, and a resolution was carried,—"(1) That this general council expresses its strong indignation that merely legal technicalities should be permitted to cheat the no-license voters of Broken Hill and Sturt out of the results of their hard-earned victory at the polls in 1907."

PARRAMATTA DISTRICT.

ORCHESTRAL SOCIETY'S CONCERT.

The Parramatta Town Hall was well filled on Wednesday evening, when the Parramatta and District Orchestral Society gave its twelfth concert. The artists assisting were: —Miss Amy Murphy, soprano soloist; Mr. Percy Herford, basso; and Miss Violet Woodward, A.L.C.M., violinist. Miss Murphy sang Meyerbeer's "Shadow Song," from "Dinorah," and Tosti's "Good-bye," and in response to encores sang Guy d'Hardelot's "I hid my love," and "If no one ever marries me." Mr. Herford sang Monk Gould's "The Curfew," and Pinsutis "Bedouin Love Song," and in response sang "The Miner" and "Three for Jack." Miss Woodward played Mendelssohn's "Andante from Concerto, op. 64," and in response to a recall played Poussard's "Intermezzo." Mr. R. Watters contributed a euphonium solo, "Sehnsucht," and a well-balanced orchestra, conducted by Mr. W. Watters, contributed selections. The orchestra also played a Scotch overture, "The Knight of Ellerslie," arranged by Mr. J. Finlayson, that gentleman conducting. Miss Amy Dellow, Miss Watters, and Mrs. Murphy acted as accompanists.

INSPECTION OF MEAT.

USEFUL WORK ACCOMPLISHED.

The following return shows the number of animals slaughtered under inspection of the Board of Health during July:—

At Sydney Abattoir.—Bulls, 33; bullocks, 5080; cows, 2327; calves, 2151; pigs, 6009; sheep, 152,215. Total slaughtered, 167,715. Condemned: Bulls, 11 (tuberculosis 7, emaciation 4); bullocks, 42 (tuberculosis 40, unfit for food 2); cows, 175 (tuberculosis 91, emaciation 82, unfit for food 2); calves, 59 (emaciation 1, unfit for food 58); pigs, 110 (tuberculosis 88, extravasation 17, emaciation 1, unfit for food 4); sheep, 2045 (unfit for food). Total condemned, 2442.

At 27 Country and Suburban Private Slaughter-houses.—Bulls, 9; bullocks, 4280; cows, 968; calves, 252; pigs, 4261; sheep, 138,648; total slaughtered, 148,418. Condemned: Bull, 1 (tuberculosis); bullocks, 31 (tuberculosis); cows, 72 (tuberculosis 34, unfit for food 38); calves, 5 (tuberculosis 1, unfit for food 4); pigs, 47 (tuberculosis 45, unfit for food 2); sheep, 590 (unfit for food). Total condemned, 746.

At 4 Bacon Factories in Country Towns.—At Ballina, slaughtered 446, condemned 4 (tuberculosis); at Byron Bay, slaughtered 1970, condemned 63 (tuberculosis 61, abscesses 2); at Grafton, slaughtered 62, condemned 1 (tuberculosis); at Lismore, slaughtered 882, condemned 10 (tuberculosis). Total, slaughtered 3360, condemned 78 (tuberculosis 76, abscesses 2).

TRADES AND LABOUR.

ORCHARD AND NURSERY EMPLOYEES.

Some little time ago the orchard and nursery employees met with a view to establishing a union. It was thought that by doing so any grievances against employers might be better ventilated. The union has now been formed, and has applied for application to the Labour Council. The aim of the union is to make the organisation include all employees in the industry.

WENTWORTH LABOUR COUNCIL.

The Wentworth Federal Labour Council met recently at Lovett's Hotel, Bondi Junction. The Woollahra branch was strongly represented. It was announced that organising work of a special kind was being conducted with vigour. It was determined to send out collecting cards, similar to those issued by the executive of the P.L.L. By doing this the members hope to see the finances benefited considerably.

BRICKLAYERS' UNION.

At last night's meeting of the Bricklayers' Union reference was made to the question of going before the Industrial Court. The matter was referred to the management committee. It was stated that the Bricklayers' Trade Society's annual picnic will take place at Athol Gardens on October 23.

TEMPE LEAGUE.

The Tempe branch of the P.L.L. held a meeting recently. Mr. H. Penboss, secretary, was chosen deputy returning officer for the ballot on the 28th instant for the selection of a candidate. It was stated that, owing to the satisfactory organising work being carried on, there was every reason to hope for a Labour victory at the next election. This was more especially the case in view of the recent utterances of Mr. Johnston relative to the building of an Australian navy. A smoke concert will be held in King-street, Tempe, at an early date, and it is hoped that from it plenty of funds will be secured to help the selected Labour candidate to put up a bold fight.

PLASTERERS' UNION.

The Plasterers' Union held a meeting last evening at the Trades Hall. Correspondence stated that trade was brisk in Melbourne and Adelaide, but not too good in the west. The following officers were elected:—President, Mr. E. Riley; secretary, Mr. Darnley.

AMALGAMATION OF LABOURERS.

The amalgamation of the United Labourers' Protection Society and the Railway Workers and General Labourers' Association has not yet been completed, though it is stated the united labourers have carried out their part of the proposal.

UNITED STOREMEN'S UNION.

Steps are to be taken by the United Storemen's Union to bring about an improvement in the conditions of all distributing stores of Sydney. A special meeting is to be called to go into the matter. Better conditions will be asked for from employers, and in the event of a refusal an application will probably be made for a Wages Board. At the last meeting arrangements were made for the annual picnic. Mr. J. Hoy was presented with a gold medal.

STEWARDS AND COOKS.

A RISE AND PREFERENCE.

The agreement between the New South Wales Coastal Steamship Owners' Association and the Federated Cooks and Stewards' Union gives cooks and stewards on the vessels of the association's members a decided rise all round.

The boats are divided into four classes, A, B, C, and D. On classes A and B, chief cooks, wages go up £1 a month; second cooks, 10s; second stewards, 10s; pantrymen, 10s; bedroom, 7s 6d; forecabin stewards, 10s, with 5 per cent. commission on the wine and spirits they sell. Wages on C and D boats are also improved. A number of smaller companies whose boats come under D class have joined the association, so that the men they employ will now come under improved conditions. Wages of cadets, that is, lads who have never been at sea before, are not, however, increased. Casual labourers are to receive an increase of 2s 6d a day.

Disputes are to be referred to the secretary of the union and a local representative of the company involved, and, failing agreement, are to be dealt with under the Industrial Disputes Act.

The hours of labour are to be eight a day in terminal ports, except on the day of sailing; but there is provision for an hour's extra work in case of arrival on Sunday; after that is an hour overtime will be paid. Stewards and cooks employed at terminal ports between 9 a.m. and 8 p.m. on Christmas Day and Good Friday are to be paid 1s an hour. And when employed on excursions not for charitable purposes on Sundays or certain holidays, they are to receive a day's pay extra. Stewards and cooks employed after 8.30 in Sydney are to be allowed equivalent in time off, or overtime at 1s an hour, except on sailing days.

And there is a provision for preference to unionists, if competent men are immediately available.

THE PLUMBERS' DEMAND.

Like every other trade, the Operative Plumbers' Society has applied for, and obtained, a wages board, and as the Master Builders' Association is largely the employers of plumbers, that body has been notified that the operatives intend to apply to the board for a reduction of hours to 44 per week, and an increase of wages to 1s 6d per hour, the leading hands to get 1s 6d per day extra. Overtime up to midnight is to be paid for at the rate of time and half, and double time for all-night work, and on public holidays. All fares to and from the employer's place of business and the job are to be paid by the employer, and where the job is more than two miles from the shop the men are to be allowed to travel one way in the employer's time. If the job is outside the county of Cumberland the men are to receive £1 per week, or 4s per day, living expenses, in addition to their wages. If the men are working overtime in the metropolitan area they are to get 1s 6d for tea money, in addition to their overtime wages. No piecework is to be allowed. One apprentice will be allowed to every three men, and where more than three men are employed two to every five men. These apprentices are to be legally indentured for six years, and are to get wages starting at 7s 6d per week, and finishing at the sixth year with £2 12s 6d. All apprentices are to attend the Technical College for four years at the employers' expense, and they are to get a full certificate from the college determining them a competent plumber.

BUGGY BOYS.

AN EMPLOYER'S VIEW.

A livery stable employer, James Smith, told the Cabmen's Board last night what buggy boys' work was like. He kept 12 travellers' sulkies. The boys worked from 7.30 in the morning up to 6 at night, or sometimes 6.30. They were paid 10s a week. "The boys are from 14 to 17," he said. "Each of them looks after his own turnout, but there's a stableman, who does the feeding and mucking out, and a boy, who helps about the stable. I haven't had any bad accidents; there was one accident, but it wasn't the boy's fault. Buggy driving is purely boys' work. I've never had any complaints. One customer did want a man to drive him, but he wouldn't pay a man's rate, so I had to let him go. The boys drive commercial travellers, and one a collector. Most of the travellers meet their lads in town at about 9 o'clock. The boys have from 7.15 to 8.30 for getting the horse ready. Yes, they get tips from the travellers. If they didn't, they would soon sing out about it. They'd want a change. There's no trouble in getting boys. I get them to drive me round the town to see if they can drive. As a rule, if they say they can, it's all right. If they haven't driven in the city before they won't suit me. The groom has to be at the yards by 6 a.m., and he leaves about 10 p.m. He really finishes his stable work and odd jobs at 11, but he waits about till 12, and he isn't wanted then until about 4, except that he has to return at 1 to water the horses. Sometimes he leaves the stables between 2 and 4, and sometimes he doesn't. He'd as soon be there as not. He's an old man, and he gets 12s 6d a week. I have a coachbuilding business near, where I keep 11 men; and it takes up most of my time in the day. A boy wouldn't be up to much if he couldn't do the work. Yes, I'd put my own son to it, certainly. Sometimes the boys knock off at 5 or half-past. On Wednesday afternoon only about half of them come in; and on Saturday all but one knock off at midday. All they have to do on Saturday mornings is to clean the horse and sulky. No; I wouldn't make a boy clean his sulky a dozen times; he wouldn't stay there to do it."

UNSKILLED LABOURERS.

SO MANY BRICKS IN A HOD.

A preliminary meeting of the Builders' Labourers' Board (chairman, Mr. E. H. Buchanan) was held last night in the Central Police Court. The employers' representative is Mr. J. Wall, and the employees' representative Mr. J. Millard. Mr. J. Lindsay, union secretary, appeared for the applicant union, and Mr. N. P. Richards for the Master Builders' Association. Mr. G. Ashton, secretary of the Municipal Employees' Union, is watching the case in the interests of his union.

The union asks for a week's work of 44 hours, eight to be worked daily between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. from Monday to Friday, and four between 7 a.m. and noon on Saturday.

It is asked that all builders' labourers (that is, bricklayers', plasterers', and masons' labourers, general and gantry hands, dogmen and scaffold hands) shall receive a minimum wage of 1s 3d an hour; that no boy improvers or apprentices shall be engaged; that men carrying material with the hod, a height of over 20ft, to bricklayers or plasterers, shall be paid 1s 4d an hour; and that no man shall carry more than 12 bricks in a hod, or wheel more than 45 in a barrow.

For overtime, time and a half is asked for the first two hours, and double time after that and on certain holidays.

It is asked that one hour's notice shall terminate employment, and that fares shall be paid to all jobs outside the first section on the trams to the suburbs, to all jobs on the railway lines, and from Circular Quay to all jobs on North Shore; that time spent in travelling to or from country work (work over 25 miles from the Sydney G.P.O.) shall be paid for at ordinary rates, and that an extra allowance of 1s a day shall be paid on country work, and suitable sleeping accommodation supplied.

Preference to unionists, insurance of labourers by their employers against accidents, the keeping of wages books, and the usual aged workers' clause, are also demanded.

TRAMWAY UNION'S GRIEVANCE.

FEARS ABSORPTION.

Mr. Warton, Tramway Union, moved in the Labour Council last evening,—"That, in the opinion of this council, the policy and action of the Amalgamated Railway and Tramway Service Association, in organising meetings and accepting members from existing delegates from existing trade unions, is inimical to the true principles of trades unionism, and calls for the strong condemnation of the whole Labour movement." He said that before the formation of the union the conditions of the tramway men were cruel. Now, however, the Amalgamated society had altered its rules to let any section start a branch. New branches were being formed, and the tramway men were joining. There was ample scope for their activities outside the existing organisations. Out of the 29,000 railway and tramway employees only 10,000 were unionists. They would therefore fight the Amalgamated. Its position was absolutely illogical.

Mr. Sullivan (Iron Trades) seconded the motion, and said that the Amalgamated wanted to capture all the men in the service. That was a danger, and they must fight them.

The motion was carried unanimously.

One of M. Paderewski's hobbies is billiards. He plays nearly every day when he can spare time from practising and composing, and is a very fair player. "I think I like billiards," he says; "it not only exercises my eye and hand, and keeps them in training even when I am amusing myself, but it also produces in me the delicate and refined artistic feelings which I have so often to express on the piano, as when, for instance, I play my favourite Chopin."

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MINING.

THE SHARE MARKET.

With lead still falling, the London Stock Exchange quiet, and the Stock Exchanges of Adelaide and Melbourne the reverse of buoyant, it was no wonder that the local market in the morning did not disclose much activity. Indeed, speculation in all branches was on restricted lines, in addition to which values eased in some cases, even in copper stocks, notwithstanding a recovery of 3/9 per ton in the price of copper.

Silver shares furnished transactions in B.H. South Blocks at 31/6 for ordinary delivery, equal to the previous day's closing rate. A time sale was also booked. This was the only silver stock dealt in. B.H. Junction commanded firm offers, and in the case of other shares the offerings were not vigorous.

In regard to copper stocks, Mount Morgans sold firmly, but Kyloe contg. and MacGregors sold at a slight decline. A parcel of Kootra Mines paid, changed hands at 10/6 on six weeks' delivery, as against 11/ for ordinary delivery recorded some time ago. Gold scrip saw improved sales in Harden Gold Mine, in anticipation of the crosscut at the 500ft level shortly reaching the lode and adding another 100ft of backs to be operated upon. East Mexican firmed a shade, but New B. Freeholds receded. Tin scrip was represented by a decline of /6 in Stanthorpe, /0½ in Vulcan Tin, and a sale of Tongkah Harbour Tin at 37/9 on one month's terms, as against 37/6 the previous day for ordinary delivery.

An extremely quiet market ruled during the afternoon, speculation being almost at a standstill. The only notable transactions showed Mount Molloys, pref., Kangiara Proprietary, paid, and Sandstone Development holding firm, whilst Tongkah Minerals dropped 3/6, or 7/6 in a week. Tin shares were extremely flat, even Tongkahs failing to record a transaction.

Sydney Stock Exchange.—The closing quotations were:—

	Buyer. £ s d	Seller. £ s d
COPPER.		
Bogan River	0 3 6	0 5 9
Ditto, contributing	0 2 0	0 5 0
Chillagoe, contributing	0 4 1	0 4 2
Great Fitzroy	1 6 6	1 7 3
Hampden-Cloncurry, paid	0 7 2	—
Kangiara Mines	1 5 0	1 7 0
Kangiara North, contg.	—	0 0 9
Kangiara Proprietary	0 3 2	0 3 3
Ditto, contributing	0 1 8	0 1 10
Kyloe	0 17 0	0 17 6
Ditto, preference	—	0 19 6
Lloyd Copper	0 2 6	0 2 9
Lobb's Hole	0 4 6	0 5 6
McGregor's (Cloncurry), paid	0 3 10	0 4 3
Mount Elliott	2 7 0	2 10 0
Mount Molloy	0 4 6	0 5 9
Ditto, preference	0 6 3	0 6 8
Mungana (Chillagoe)	0 3 3	—
O. K.	0 3 0	—
Queen Bee	0 4 7	0 4 9
Wallaroo and Moonta	1 19 0	—
TIN.		
Gilmore	0 1 3	0 1 5
Tommy Burns	7 0 0	10 0 0
Vegetable Creek	0 4 0	—
Ditto, contributing	0 2 7	—
Vulcan	0 1 11	0 2 1
SILVER. New South Wales, etc.		
British Broken Hill	1 1 0	1 1 6
Ditto, Privileged	—	1 1 0
Broken Hill Proprietary	1 17 0	—
Ditto, Block 10	3 14 0	—
Ditto, Block 14	0 11 6	0 12 6
Ditto, preference	0 11 0	0 11 6
B. H. Junction	0 7 6	0 7 8
B. H. Junction North	1 4 0	1 4 4½
B. H. North	4 2 0	—
B. H. South	5 1 6	—
B. H. South, contributing	4 17 6	4 18 0
B. H. South Blocks	1 11 3	1 11 9
Sulphide Corporation, ord.	—	0 15 9
Zinc Corporation, ord.	—	0 12 6
Ditto, pref.	2 11 0	2 13 0
GOLD. New South Wales, etc.		
Gold Hill	0 1 0	0 2 6
Harden	1 4 0	—
Harden Central, paid	—	0 1 6
Ditto, contributing	—	0 0 10
Mount David	0 1 4	0 1 5½
New Hillgrove Proprietary	0 0 1	0 0 2
Occidental	—	0 11 0
Dredging and Sluicing.		
Amalgamated Tin	0 1 2	—
Araluen Central	—	0 1 9
Araluen Redbank	—	0 8 6
Associated Gold Dredging	—	0 4 0
Bourke's Hill Tin	—	0 6 6
Buckland River	0 1 6	—
Ditto, preference	0 8 0	—
Ditto, South Extended	—	0 8 0
Cope's Creek	—	0 4 0
Great Britain Sluicing	1 7 0	1 8 6
Jembaicumbene	0 1 0	—
New Wylie Creek	0 2 6	—
Ovens Valley	—	0 5 0
Stanthorpe	0 1 6	0 2 6
Tongkah Harbour Tin	1 17 6	1 18 0
Queensland. Charters Towers, etc.		
Bonnie Dundee	—	0 3 4
Brilliant Block	0 6 6	—
Brilliant Central	0 2 7	0 2 11
Brilliant Extended	0 10 0	0 11 0
Ditto, contributing	0 8 0	0 9 0
Clark's Brilliant	—	0 1 6
East Mexican, paid	0 5 0	—
Marshall's Queen	—	0 3 9
Mount Morgan	3 10 0	3 11 0
Victory	—	0 2 1
Gympie.		
Columbia Extended	—	0 6 6
Great Northern, contributing	—	0 1 0
E. Columbia and Smithfield, No. 1	0 2 6	—
North Oriental and Glanmire No. 1	0 1 8	—
North Victory, No. 1	—	0 6 6
Oriental and Glanmire	—	0 8 6
South Glanmire and Monkland	0 0 7	—
South Great Eastern, No. 2	0 1 10	—
Western Australia.		
Associated	1 1 9	—
Black Range	2 13 6	—
Chaffer's	0 5 0	0 5 7
Golden Pole	—	1 1 10
Great Boulder	1 3 9	1 4 6
Ditto, No. 1	0 4 8	0 5 6
Lake View South	—	0 2 0
Sandstone Development	0 8 4	0 8 6

STOCK EXCHANGE SALES.

MORNING.

Copper.—Mount Morgan, 70/6; Kyloe Copper, contg. 17/6, 17/5, 17/4½; Macgregors, 4/; Kootra Mines, paid, six weeks, 10/6.

Silver.—Broken Hill South Blocks, six weeks, 31/9; ditto, ord. 31/6.

Gold.—Harden Gold Mine, six weeks, 24/, ord 24/; East Mexican, contg. 4/6; No. 2 S.G. Eastern, 2/; New B. Freehold, three months, 30/6.

Tin.—Vulcan Tin, 2/, 1/11½; Stanthorpe Tin, 2/; Tongkah Harbour Tin, one month, 37/9.

AFTERNOON.

Copper.—Kangiara Proprietary, contg. 1/9; Kangiara Proprietary, paid, 3/2, 3/6; Mount Molloy, pref., 6/6; Tolwong Minerals, 23/.

Silver.—Broken Hill South, contg. 98/.

Gold.—Mount David, 1/5; Sandstone Development, 8/4.

Tin.—Nil.

LONDON SHARE MARKET.

LONDON, August 19.

On the Stock Exchange yesterday quotations of Australian mining ventures were:—Broken Hill Proprietary, b 37/, s 38/; British Broken Hill, b 20/6, s 21/6; Block 10, b 75/, s 77/6; North Broken Hill, b 80/, s 82/6; South Broken Hill, b £5/1/3, s £5/3/9; Great Boulder Proprietary, b 23/9, s 24/3; Mount Lyells, b 37/6, s 38/6.

COPPER AND LEAD STILL BETTER.

Private cables state that amongst the shares quoted on the London Stock Exchange on Wednesday were the following "middle" prices:—Briseis, 6/7½; Mount Lyells, 38/; Zinc, ordinary, 11/6; B.H. Norths, 81/10½; Mount Elliotts, 68/9; Great Cobars, £6/2/6; Mount Morgans, 71/3; B.H. Proprietary, 37/9; Great Fingalls, 26/3; Kalgurli, £7/12/6; Ivanhoe, £7/18/9; Great Boulder, 24/; South Kalgurli, 15/; Lake V. Consols, 20/; Sons of Gwalia, 28/9; Gwalia Consolidated, 5/4½.

Later quotations:—Copper, £59/12/6; lead, £12/10/; Mount Morgans, 68/, b; Broken Hills, 37/6, b; B.H. South, paid, 103/, b; B.H. South Blocks, 30/9, b; Chillagoe, 4/, b; Mount Lyells, 38/, b; Great Fitzroys, 26/3, b.

Copper was quoted at £59/12/6, a rise of 3/9, and lead at £12/10/, a further fall of 2/6 per ton.

MINING NOTES.

A trial crushing is being obtained from Central Hill.

The secretary in Cairns of the O.K. Copper Company, No Liability, telegraphs that the new company is now registered.

At the Stannary Hills mines (Q.) driving is proceeding to connect the Ivanhoe new shaft with the old workings. The diamond drill, No. 10 bore, had not discovered anything of importance at a distance of 174ft.

Gold-bearing stone is showing in the face of the 300ft north level of the Gold Hill mine, at Peak Hill. At the 250ft level a 2ft reef worth 3dwt per ton is being driven on. It is anticipated to mill 200 tons of good ore this month.

No change of material value has occurred in the Gilmore Tin mine as the result of operations during the fortnight ended August 5. Some 23 tons of stone were carted, and the battery for the fortnight cleaned up a crushing of 42½ tons of ore for 7 tons 16cwt of concentrates.

During the four weeks ended August 4 the mills of the B.H. Proprietary treated 24,650 tons of tailings, and produced 1347 tons of leady concentrates and 3979 tons of slimes. The zinc products totalled 4867 tons, assaying 46.65 per cent. zinc, 6.71 per cent. lead, and 13.28oz silver. The sulphuric acid plant produced 242 tons of strong acid. Some 7027 tons of sintered slimes were sent to Port Pirie, and 297 tons of lump slimes were built into kilns for sintering. At Port Pirie the construction of the zinc plant is being pushed forward. Five smelters, together with the necessary roasting and desulphurising plants, have been in continuous operation, dealing principally with purchased leady concentrates, and the company's own sintered slimes. Very satisfactory work was done in all departments.

ASSAYER and ANALYST. Reasonable Fees. Scale on application. C. BRISTOW, A.I.M.M., 52 Pitt-st.—Advt.

A progress report of the Karangahake Mines (W.A.) for July shows that at No. 1 level the south drive is in disturbed country at 410ft, with bunches of low value quartz in the face. The north drive, 44ft in from the main west crosscut, passed through bunches of quartz of low value. At No. 2 level the south drive, from 184ft to 206ft, shows 5ft of stone worth 8/ per ton. No. 1 south rise shows 6ft of 24/ ore, whilst in No. 2 south rise values average 16/ for 4ft wide.

At the Gulf Creek copper mine the No. 5 level on Cornish ore has now intersected the middle lode. This proves the lens at this level to be over 200ft long by 6ft thick, as it has already been cut at a point 200ft east. The quality is about 5 per cent. for so far as opened up, and the ore is of the usual basic, self-fluxing nature. This development of the middle lode at No. 5 and No. 6 levels will bring the ore reserves well up to the 100,000 ton mark. Since the last six months' work has been confined to development at Nos. 5 and 6 levels, and has resulted in the addition of some 12,000 tons to the reserves, exclusive of the recent find. Prospecting and development is being vigorously carried on at five other faces. The foundation work for boiler, engine, and compressor is now ready for the machinery, which is expected this month from Melbourne.

Mr. A. J. Davis, of No. 3 Post Office-chambers, Pitt-street, Sydney agent of the Wallandibby Diamond Mining Company, has received from the manager samples of the minerals, rocks, and other material met with in prospecting what is believed to be two distinct volcanic pipe formations. As far as can be learned, the mine is situated some distance from Cooma. The samples received by Mr. Davis consist of eclogite carrying well-defined ruby crystals; blueground, such as forms a pronounced feature of the Kimberley diamond mines; also a sort of limestone conglomerate impregnated with silica and mica, together with a dark-coloured rock, which appears to carry fragments of biotite. Included in the collection is a sample of ruby concentrates, obtained by crushing the eclogite. The sample of "blueground" is decidedly interesting. An officer of the Mines Department, it is reported, states that the ground held by the company is simply one large pipe.

AUSTRALIAN STATES OIL CONCESSION SYNDICATE.

Negotiations for the acquisition of the properties owned by the Queensland Petroleum Syndicate of Sydney have resulted in the purchase of the mining rights over 33,000 acres in the Rosewood-Boonah districts of Queensland by the Australian States Oil Concession Syndicate, N.L., through its superintendent, Mr. G. A. Lawson. Some time ago natural gas in large quantities and petroleum were proved in bores at Rosewood, also at Boonah. It is the intention of the new proprietary to follow these up at once, tenders for boring being now about to be called for two or more bores.

This company holds other large concessions in the Commonwealth and elsewhere. Negotiations are in progress with capitalists in Glasgow for money to exploit some of these properties. It is the intention of the Melbourne board to establish a branch office with a board of directors in Sydney at an early date. It may be mentioned that the rights over the Queensland properties include all metals and minerals, as well as oil and gas, which, as portions of the country are copper and gold bearing, may be an important factor in the future.

BROKEN HILL PROPRIETARY COMPANY.

LOSS ON HALF-YEAR £59,029.

It is not a pleasing story the directors of the B. H. Proprietary Company have to tell, in their six-monthly report, to be presented to the shareholders' meeting, convened for the 27th inst. in Melbourne. The predisposing causes were the strike at Broken Hill, Arbitration Court expenses, stoppage of smelting operations, and depreciation in the price of lead. The balance-sheet shows that the half-year closed with a loss of £59,029 8s 6d.

The loss incurred on purchased ore was consequent upon the strike causing a suspension of smelting operations, and as a result over 10,000 tons of purchased ore which had been taken delivery of had to lie in stock, though final settlement with the sellers had to be made for it, and since that date the price of lead has depreciated. The reserve funds stand at the same amount as before, viz.:—£260,000, but of this sum £129,837 10s is for the present being used in the company's business. Out of the above amount £28,600 is on account of the construction of the spelter plant, which it was arranged at the last half-yearly meeting should in the meantime be taken from the reserve fund. After making due provision for all outstanding liabilities, there remain liquid assets, in cash, bullion, and other convertible stocks, representing a total value of £406,500 9s 3d, inclusive of the reserve and insurance funds.

The total output of silver was 438,109oz, inclusive of the contents of purchased ores, etc, and of zinc concentrates sold, as against 2,926,148oz for the preceding six months, the average net price realised being 2s 0 25-32d, as against 2s 1 55-64d per oz fine. Soft lead produced, inclusive of the product of purchased ores, etc, was 7605 tons, against 47,842 tons, the net result obtained being an average of £12 7s 5d per ton, as against £11 19s 10d.

MINING IN THE STATE.

MOLONG, Thursday.

A party from Orange have taken over the old Manildra copper and tin mine. They have at present 80 tons of ore on the surface, 40 tons of which are being sent to Port Kembla, and the balance to the Melbourne Great Northern Works at Newcastle. The stuff sent to Newcastle assayed 15 to 17 per cent. copper, 5 to 24 dwt gold, 6 to 26 oz silver, and 2½ to 10 per cent. tin.

A party of prospectors are raising payable gold from their claim near the old Dalcouth mine at Cargo.

YAMBULLA, Thursday.

Cancelled gold lease 103, formerly held by P. J. Collins, and situated on the Victoria Springs lode, has been applied for by S. Wall and M. Greer, who are getting excellent stone. Cantrill, on the Little Wonder, is doing good work, tracing his reef up the hill. The formation is soft so far, and the lode, about 10 inches wide, prospects satisfactorily. Haugh and M'Donald's battery starts again to-day on the Duchess of York stone. They have between 90 and 100 tons at grass.

GREAT FITZROY COPPER MINE.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

When the Great Fitzroy Mines, Limited, was formed, in July, 1908, the ore developed in the mine was 334,000 tons. On June 30 last, when the company's financial year closed, that total had been increased to 981,000 tons, assaying 3.15 per cent. of copper, and 2.66dwt of gold. In addition, there were 250,000 tons of "probable" ore, assaying 3 per cent. copper, and 1.5 dwt gold. The company, during the term, treated 34,261 tons, for 980 tons of copper, 5990oz of gold, and 32,499oz of silver. Working costs averaged 31/2.37 per ton, of which 10/2.67 was for ore extracted, 18/8.79 for treatment, and 2/2.91 for general expenses. The year's operations returned a gross profit of £16,967. Deducting other expenses, a net profit of £12,187 was shown. All that money, except £500, was applied to writing down plant, etc, or writing off preliminary expenses, and £4565 off the development account. The board is to push on progressive work for at least another year, so as to complete the opening up of the mine to 400ft as early as possible. A second furnace, of 200 tons capacity, is to be completed early next year, when the plant will have a total capacity of 18,000 tons per month. The value of the metal contents of the ore, taking copper at £60 per ton, is 50/3, and the loss in the slag represents 3gr of gold and ½oz of copper.

INTERSTATE EXCHANGES.

BENDIGO, Thursday.

Sales: Cameron Ajax, 1/5; Castilis, 9/1½; Goldsmith's, 1/; Goldfield Consolidated, 5/4½; Goldfields Extended, 1/8, 1/6, 1/7; Goldfields North, 3/10; Nell Gwynne, 6/6, 6/4½; New Chum Goldfields, 13/9; New Moon, 23/6; New Moon United, 1/4, 1/8; North Bendigo, 10/8; North Johnson's, 7/1½; Sea, 4/1; The Langdon (ex div.), 5/4½; Ulster United, 5/9.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

Sales: No. 1 North Columbia Smithfield, 3/1½; Golden Pile, 3/5; Dundee, 3/1; East Mexican, contg., 4/3½; Chillagoe, contg., 4/2.

CHARTERS TOWERS, Thursday.

Sales: Blue Peter, 1/3; Bonnies, 3/2; Brilliant, 4/8½; B. Central, 2/11; B. Block, 4/11; Carrington, 2/1; Day Dawn, /8; Mexican, 4/5; paid, 5/3; Kalamadau, 4/4, 4/7; paid, 4/8, 4/6; Marshall's, 3/4; Ruby, /9.

LAUNCESTON, Thursday.

Quotations: Tasmania, b 5/, s 5/9; North Farrell, b 3/3, s 4/6; Tasmanian Copper, b 4/11, s 5/2; Mount Bischoff, b £38, s £39; Arba, 13/6; Pioneer, b 27/, s 28/; Mutual Hill, b /6, s /7½.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

To-day's sales were:—

Silver: British (old), 21/6; B.H. Junction North, 21/6; B.H. South Blocks, 31/6.

Copper: Mount Lyell, 38/; Benison Bell, 12/; Chillagoe, 4/2; ditto, paid, 3/2; Great Fitzroy, 26/9, 26/6; Hampden, 7/3; Macgregor, 3/10.

Tin: Pioneer, 27/6; Tingha Consolidated, pref., /10; Tongkah Harbour, 38/9, 38/4½; ditto Compound, £14/15/, £14/18/6, £14/10/; Y Water, 7/.

Gold: British Lion, paid, 2/; Burnt Creek, 17/, 16/7, 16/9; Cameron's Ajax, 1/5; Campbell's Creek, 6/6; Cathcart, 32/9, 33/; ditto, paid, 32/3; Duke and Main Leads, 31/, 31/6, 32/; Great Southern Consols, 5/, 5/3, 5/; Long Tunnel, 63/, 60/, 68/; Nell Gwynne, 6/; New Bruces, 1/5, 1/5½; New Birthday, 3/3, 3/1, 3/3; New Langi Logan, 5/, 4/9; New Loch Fyne, 2/, 2/0½; New Moon, 23/3; North Johnsons, 7/4; North Nuggety Ajax, 7/9; Nuggety Ajax, 30/; Russell Reef, 2/, 1/11; Sea, 4/1; Star of the East, 1/8½; White Star, 2/9; Wosh Hawp, No. 1, 1/11; Barrambie Ranges, 5/8; Tindals, 24/9.

MANAGERS' REPORTS.

Mount David Company, August 14.—100ft level, S.E. drive, going through very stiff slate country. 150ft level, S.E. drive, in black slate hanging wall, schist footwall with broken slate and quartz leaders between same, carrying gold. Stoping north from No. 2 rise on stone 4ft 6in thick, and south on stone 4ft thick, fair quality stone in both stopes. 230ft level: Stoping north from No. 2 rise on stone 1ft 6in thick, fair quality, and south on stone 2ft thick, poor quality. 300ft level: Stoping south from No. 2 rise on stone 1ft 6in thick, poor quality. Winch winze: Sunk to 128ft; propose to drive crosscut into the hanging wall. We will also start cutting out plat 100ft below No. 3 plat W.W. on the underlie. This will make the winch winze a total depth of 280ft from the 300ft level.

Kootra Mines, Aug. 16.—Main shaft sunk 8ft 6in, total 38ft 6in. No. 1 south winze sunk 4ft, total 122ft. There are 18in ore in bottom, assaying lead 21.2 per cent., silver 31.7oz, gold 3.25dwt, copper 3.24 per cent. No. 2 shaft, stripped and timbered 10ft of shaft between 180ft and 60ft levels. No. 3 south winze, sunk a further 3ft 6in, total 25ft. Solid quartz body making across winze, width undetermined. Assays: Gold 3.25dwt, silver 8.5dwt per ton. Good progress made with plant erection during week.

POLICE COURTS.

SLY GROG-SELLING.

Antony Schibeci, 51, a bootmaker, was charged with having on August 15, sold liquor in Yurong-street without a license. Defendant pleaded guilty. When searched, a quantity of empty bottles and some wine were found on defendant's premises. A fine of £30, or in default four months' hard labour, was imposed. The case was heard yesterday morning at the Central Police Court.

DISTURBING THE OSTRICHES.

At the Paddington Police Court yesterday, Joseph Barracluff, proprietor of an ostrich farm at Rose Bay, proceeded against a woman named Scholes or Thomson, for trespass. The case for the complainant was that defendant entered his enclosed land, a practice which she had persisted in, with the result that complainant's ostriches were disturbed, and several clutches of eggs were spoiled. It was stated that during the visit of the American fleet the firing of guns and general commotion were responsible for considerable loss on the part of complainant, as the birds became excited. Defendant admitted that she had entered complainant's paddock on several occasions to look for her geese. On her promise to desist from further trespass, she was fined 2s 6d with 27s costs, or in default 48 hours.

A NEW RIFLE RANGE.

Michael M'Ewan, 40, a tinsmith, pleaded guilty yesterday, at the Central Police Court to having unlawfully discharged a firearm in a public street. Constable Sherringham found M'Ewen at 7 o'clock on Wednesday night indulging in target practice with a revolver at one of the doors in the Belmore Market building. Defendant had already discharged nine shots when the constable came along. Defendant, who, in explanation of his conduct, said that he had been having a few drinks, was fined 40s, with the option of a month's imprisonment.

STEALING PICTURES.

At the North Sydney Police Court yesterday, before Mr. G. H. Smithers, S.M., Claude Curby, 18, a cook, was charged with stealing a picture, valued at £2, the property of Bertha Cohen, on or about July 12 last. While in custody on another charge, Curby was charged with the present offence, and admitted his guilt, saying, "I sold the picture to a man at a tobacconist's shop at Manly for 4s." Bertha Cohen said that about the 12th instant, she saw accused at her place in Alfred-street, when he asked for the picture, and she gave it to him to put a glass in. He was to return it the following day, but failed to do so, in fact, she did not see it again until in court. Accused pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to six months' imprisonment. On a second charge of stealing a picture, valued at 10s, and the sum of 1s in money, the property of Leopold Charles Hillier, on July 5 last, he pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to six months' imprisonment, cumulative with the previous sentence.

SHOP-LIFTING.

Edith Farrell, 29, a married woman, pleaded guilty, at the Central Police Court, before Mr. Donaldson, S.M., to a charge of having stolen two blouses and a piece of silk, of the total value of £2 2s, the property of Anthony Hordern and Sons, on August 17. Senior-constable Barnes saw the defendant pick up something from a counter and place it under the clothing of a baby she was carrying. He searched her, and found the articles mentioned in the charge. Defendant was fined £10, or in default three months' imprisonment. The magistrate remarked that but for the fact that she was carrying a young child he would have sentenced her to gaol.

ASSAULT.

At the Balmain Police Court, before Mr. G. H. Smithers, S.M., William Addis, 26, and John Kiley, 25, both labourers, were convicted of assaulting Robert McCulloch on August 13, and sentenced to three months' imprisonment with hard labour.

A PAINFUL CASE.

The preliminary hearing of a sad case, in which a married woman was charged with maliciously causing laudanum, a poison, to be taken by her children at Abbotsford on January 19, was concluded in the Children's Court at Burwood yesterday. The defendant was Florence Gertrude Burgess. Altogether five charges were laid, and the depositions were made available at th conclusion of the Lower Court proceedings. Mr. E. L. Maitland, S.M., was on the Bench, and Mr. Mack, instructed by Mr. W. M. Daley, appeared for the prosecution.

On the first day of hearing Mr. E. R. Abigail appeared for the defence, and yesterday he was represented by Mr. Parker. The defendant had been ill prior to the happenings which formed the basis of the charge. All the charges were taken together, as they all related to the one day and set of alleged circumstances.

The principal evidence was given by Mary Gertrude Burgess, a 12-year-old daughter of the informant and defendant, Dr. P. T. Bolger, Dr. C. H. E. Lawes, Jessie Burgess (another of the children), Mrs. Fanny Jones, Mrs. Elizabeth Liddell, and Miss Amy Williams.

Briefly, the children's evidence was to the effect that on January 19 Mrs. Burgess had taken her five children out in a boat on the Parramatta River, after first purchasing some wine and laudanum. While they were out in the boat rain had fallen, and Mrs. Burgess, according to the children's story, had given them some wine and laudanum mixed together, and also taken some herself. She said the drink would keep them from the ill-effects of the cold and wet. Afterwards all the children, with the exception of the youngest boy, retched, and threw up some of the fluid. The boy, according to the medical evidence, was in a serious condition, bordering upon coma, but remedial measures were adopted by Dr. Bolger in the cases of all the children and mother, and all recovered.

Other evidence indicated that Mrs. Burgess had her mind unsettled by misfortunes prior to January 19. Mrs. Liddell said that defendant told her she had given the children some wine and laudanum, and taken some herself, because they had got a cold, and she herself would sooner take it than be disgraced, and that she preferred death to dishonour.

The defence was reserved, and the defendant was committed for trial at Darlinghurst on October 5. Light bail, self in £50, and one in £50, or two in £25, was granted.

METROPOLITAN LICENSING COURT.

PUBLICANS' LICENSES TRANSFERRED.

The Metropolitan Licensing Court, comprising Messrs. Smithers (chairman) and King, S.Ms., and Mr. Love, D.S.M., yesterday granted applications for transfers of publicans' licenses as follow:—Sunderland Arms Hotel, Harris-street, Pyrmont, from George Hugh Brooks to Mary Kepler; Star Hotel, Goulburn-street, from Thomas Brice to Douglas R. Gilles; Sanatorial Hotel, Foveaux-street, from James Julian to William Hunt; Palace Hotel, Flinders-street, from Harry K. Cranny to Matthew William M'Namee; Beehive Hotel, Princes-street, from Thomas Montgomery to Augustus Mooney.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—In Bankruptcy.—NOTICE is hereby given that the Single Meeting of creditors in the following matters will be held at the Court, Citizens'-chambers, Moore-street, Sydney, on the 31st day of August, 1909, at 10 a.m., or as soon after as the course of business will permit. To entitle a creditor to vote thereat his proof must be lodged with the Registrar in Bankruptcy not later than the 27th day of August, 1909:—Re ARTHUR EDWARD COOPER (No. 18177), late of The Commercial Hotel, Eden, formerly of The Royal Hotel, Delegate, hotelkeeper; re WILLIAM BENNETT THOMAS (No. 18201) of Stanford Merthyr, Miner. F. H. SALUSBURY, Registrar in Bankruptcy. Mr. C. F. W. LLOYD, Official Assignee.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—In Bankruptcy.—NOTICE is hereby given that the Single Meeting of Creditors in the following matters will be held at the Court, Citizens'-chambers, Moore-street, Sydney, on the 2nd day of September, 1909, at 10 a.m., or as soon after as the course of business will permit. To entitle a creditor to vote thereat his proof must be lodged with the Registrar in Bankruptcy not later than the 30th day of August, 1909:—Re JACOB SAMUEL STENNING (No. 18229), of 26 Raymond-road, Neutral Bay, Plasterer; re ALFRED THORPE (No. 18227), of St. Ives, near Pymble, late Butcher. F. H. SALUSBURY, Registrar in Bankruptcy. Mr. W. H. PALMER, Official Assignee. (4c-7)

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate and Effects (unadministered) of ADELINE MABEL ANNIE COX, late of Forbes, in the State of New South Wales, Married Woman, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that the First Accounts in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Chancery-square, Sydney; and all persons having any claim on the said Estate or being otherwise interested therein are hereby required to come in before me at my said office on or before the fourteenth day of September, at 12.30 o'clock in the afternoon and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto, otherwise if the said Accounts be not objected to the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. Dated this thirteenth day of August, in the year 1909. T. W. GARRETT (L.S.), Registrar. MINTER, SIMPSON, and CO., Proctors for the PERMANENT TRUSTEE CO., Ltd., Administrator de bonis non of the Estate, Hunter-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of JOSEPH WEBB, late of Urtarra, in the State of New South Wales, Grazier, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that the first accounts in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Chancery-square, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said Estate, or being otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me at my said office on or before the seventeenth day of September, at 10.15 o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto; otherwise if the said accounts be not objected to the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. Dated this 19th day of August, A.D. 1909. (Sgd.) T. W. GARRETT (L.S.), Registrar. GARRAWAY, MORGAN, and KORFF, Proctors, Queanbeyan. By their Agents, METCALFE and DANGAR, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of ABRAHAM McCARRON, late of Bronti, in the State of New South Wales, Farmer, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to MARTHA McCARRON, the Widow of the said deceased; and all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. P. J. MEYER, Proctor for the Administratrix, Bank-chambers, Goulburn. By his Agents, LAURENCE, SON, and MACDONALD, 122 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of HENRY PETTIT, late of Lane Cove, near Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Retired Master Mariner, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to FREDERICK JOSEPH PETTIT and HENRY PETTIT, Junior, two Sons of the said deceased, the Executors named in the said will. All persons having any claims on the Estate are requested to send particulars thereof within the same period to the undersigned. T. E. CRESWELL, Proctor, 81 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of WILLIAM MOORE, late of Pola Creek, Macleay River, in the State of New South Wales, Farmer, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Testament of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to JOHN BRYSON and GEORGE TELFORD, the Executors in the said Will named. And all persons having claims against the Estate are required to furnish particulars thereof to the undersigned within the time above stated. And all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. JOHN GILFILLAN, Proctor for Executors, Kempsey. By his Agent, A. W. E. WEAVER, Martin-place, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of DAVID DOUST, late of Heathcote, near Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Gentleman, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Testament of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to SUSAN STRUTTON DOUST, the Widow of the said deceased and Sole Executrix in the said Will named; and all notices against the said Estate may be served on the undersigned at Heathcote aforesaid; and all persons having claims against the Estate of the said deceased are required to send particulars of the same to the said address, within the said period of fourteen days. SUSAN S. DOUST, Heathcote.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of GEORGE THOMAS, late of Grenfell, in the State of New South Wales, Gardener, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to CHARLOTTE THOMAS, Widow, the Executrix named in the said will; and all notices are to be served at the undermentioned address. CHARLOTTE THOMAS, Grenfell.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF DISCHARGE.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—In Bankruptcy.—No. 17,950.—Re HENRY MAGNUSSON, of Rawson-street, Waverley, Cabinet-maker.—To the Official Assignee and Creditors.—Take notice that I, Henry Magnusson, intend to apply to the Court, on Monday, the 20th day of September next, at 10 a.m., or as soon afterwards as the course of business will admit, that a Certificate of Discharge be granted to me, under and according to the provisions of the Bankruptcy Act, 1898.

Dated this 19th day of August, 1909.

HENRY MAGNUSSON.

IN THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM STOKES, Master Baker, deceased.—The Administratrix of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased begs to notify all Creditors in the Estate, whose accounts were outstanding on the 1st of June last that they may receive payment thereof at the Office of the New South Wales Baking Company, Wellington-street, Waterloo, on and after Monday next, the 23rd August instant. FRED. GANNON and SONS, Solicitors for the Estate.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Take notice that I, BARNETT CLIVE ARNOTT, of "Lenlyth," Neutral Bay, formerly of "Kilsyth," High-street, Waratah, lately serving under Articles of Clerkship to William Sparke, of the firm of Sparke and Millard, Solicitors, Newcastle, but now of the Crown Solicitor's Office, 237 Macquarie-street, Sydney, do intend to apply on the last day of the present term to be admitted as a Solicitor, Proctor, and Attorney of this Honourable Court.

Dated this 17th day of August, A.D. 1909.

CLIVE ARNOTT.

IN THE COUNTY OF THE CITY OF BELFAST COUNTY COURT.

MARGARET CREAN, Junior, Plaintiff;
WILLIAM J. CREAN, Defendant.

Notice is hereby given that on the 25th day of June, 1909, a Decree in this suit was made by his Honor the Recorder of Belfast, for the administration of the assets of CHRISTOPHER CREAN, of Aughlish, Dromore, in the County of Tyrone, Army Pensioner, deceased. All persons claiming to be of the next-of-kin according to the Statutes for the distribution of the Assets of Intestates of the said Christopher Crean are required before the first day of November, 1909, to file with the undersigned Clerk of the Crown and Peace, at his office, in the County Courthouse, Belfast, a claim to be admitted as one of the next-of-kin of the said Christopher Crean, deceased, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of the said Decree.

Dated this 6th day of July, 1909.

H. McNEILE McCORMICK,
Clerk of the Crown and Peace for the County of the City of Belfast.
JAMES A. CULBERT,
Solicitor for the Plaintiff, 22 Donegall-place, Belfast.

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W. J. HANNA,
Under-Secretary.
(6a-18)

THE AUSTRALIAN WIDOWS' FUND LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY, LIMITED.

LOST POLICY.

It is hereby notified that, in terms of the Life, Fire, and Marine Insurance Act of 1902, it is the intention of this Society to issue a SPECIAL POLICY in lieu of No. 9031, on the life of WILLIAM FLETCHER, which is declared to have been Lost. Dated at Sydney this 19th day of August, 1909.

V. H. BAXTER, Resident Secretary.

NOTICE is hereby given that the PARTNERSHIP between the undersigned, HUBERT CARTWRIGHT and JOHN BOOTHMAN, in the business of Coach-builders, 81 Wilson-street, Newtown, has been THIS DAY Dissolved, and the business will henceforth be carried on by the said John Boothman.

Dated this eighteenth day of August, 1909.
HUBERT CARTWRIGHT.
JOHN BOOTHMAN.
Witness, WM. BOOTHMAN.

NOTICE.—If I do not hear from my husband within one month from date I intend to take the necessary steps to enable me to remarry. (Signed) CATHERINE MARGARET WILSON (nee Hale), Moonbah, August 16th, 1909.
Witness—J. BARRY, J.P.

TO THE PUBLIC OF COMMONWEALTH.—Beware of the professional thought and mind readers, blackmailers, letter forgers, thieves, and poisoners, and find-outs.

IF Contractor for Painting, Marrickville, does not start work to complete his contract at M'Mahon's Point, on the 21st inst, I will finish same at his risk. L. WHITEHEAD.

BRETNALL and SON, Solicitors and Attorneys, Lyndhurst-chambers, 84 Elizabeth-st.

A SYDNEY Attraction.—J. Sutton's Pure-food Display in Challis House window, Martin-place.

NOTICE.—I will not be responsible for any Debts incurred without my writ. aut. F. W. Stephenson.

NAVAL AND MILITARY NOTICES.

FIRST AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY.—CLUB SHOOT, SATURDAY, 21st. R. Hunt, Hon. Sec.

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FUNERALS.

ARNOLD.—The Friends of Mr. JOHN ARNOLD are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late dearly loved WIFE; to leave his residence, 80 Cooper-street, Waterloo, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for the Necropolis.
COFFILL and COMPANY, Funeral Directors.

ARNOLD.—The Friends of Mrs. EVERSON and Messrs. WILLIAM and HARRY EVERSON are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved DAUGHTER and SISTER, Ethel Arnold; to leave 80 Cooper-street, Waterloo, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for the Necropolis.
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BAUMANN.—The Funeral of the late Mr. WILLIAM GEORGE BAUMANN will move from his late residence, 7 Queen's-avenue, Rushcutter Bay, THIS FRIDAY, at 2.45 p.m., for Waverley Cemetery.
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J. TUTTO, President.
W. MORTIMER, Secretary.

THE Friends of the late Mr. ISAAC FISCHER are respectfully invited to attend his Funeral; to leave his late residence, 215 George-street North, THIS DAY, Friday, at 1.30, and from the Mortuary at 2.22, for Rookwood. L. SAMUELS.

GAY.—The Friends of W. F. NOBLE, of Granville, late of Freemasons' Hotel, Wollongong, are informed that the Funeral of his MOTHER, Elizabeth Gay, will take place at the Cootamundra Cemetery THIS (Friday) EVENING.
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GAY.—The Friends of Miss GAY, late of Freemasons' Hotel, Wollongong, are informed that the Funeral of her MOTHER will take place at the Cootamundra Cemetery THIS (Friday) EVENING.
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LEVY.—The Friends of the late Mr. LAWRENCE LEVY are respectfully invited to attend his Funeral; to leave the residence, 25 Regent-street, Paddington, THIS DAY, at 1.30; and from the Mortuary at 2.22, for Rookwood.
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THE Friends of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. PYKE and Mr. and Mrs. LOUIS PYKE are requested to attend the Funeral of the late Mr. LAWRENCE LEVY, 25 Regent-street, Paddington.

SCARR.—The Friends of Mr. PERCY SCARR are informed that the Funeral of his late beloved WIFE, Susanna, will move from Scopia, Shadforth-street, Mosman, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 3 o'clock, for Church of England Cemetery, Gore Hill.
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